



**Athenian**

**1968**















# The Athenian

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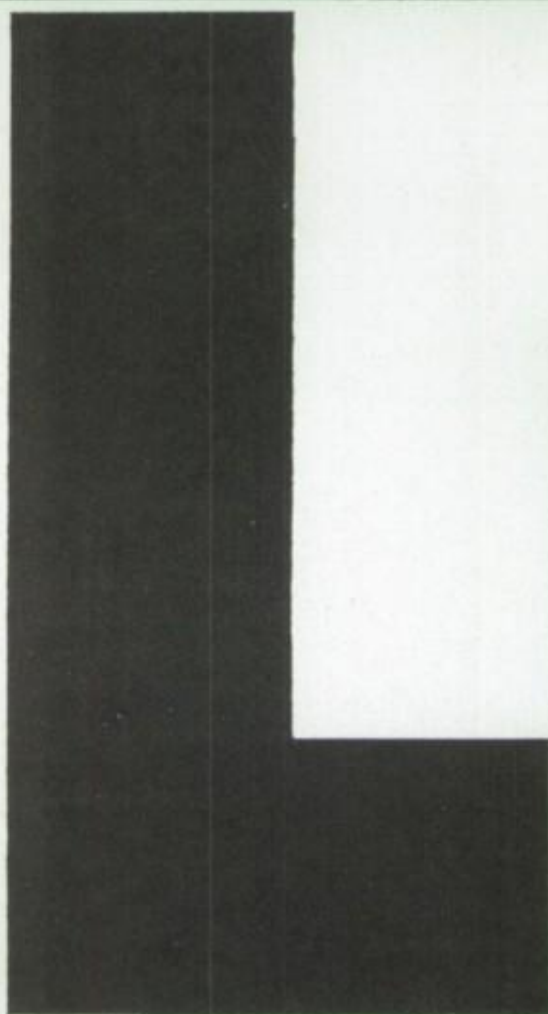
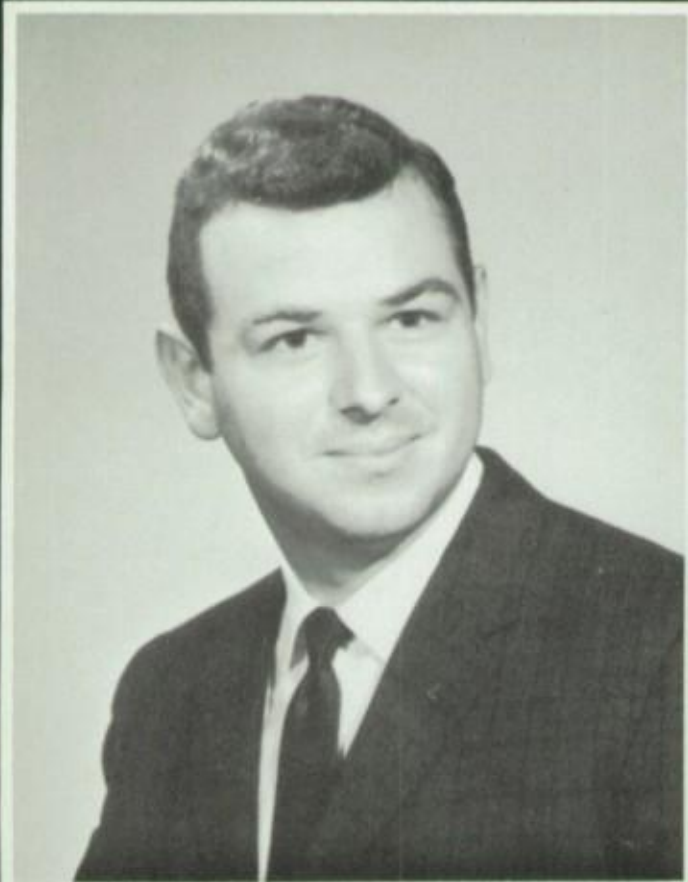
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ATHENIAN STAFF '68





# Dedication

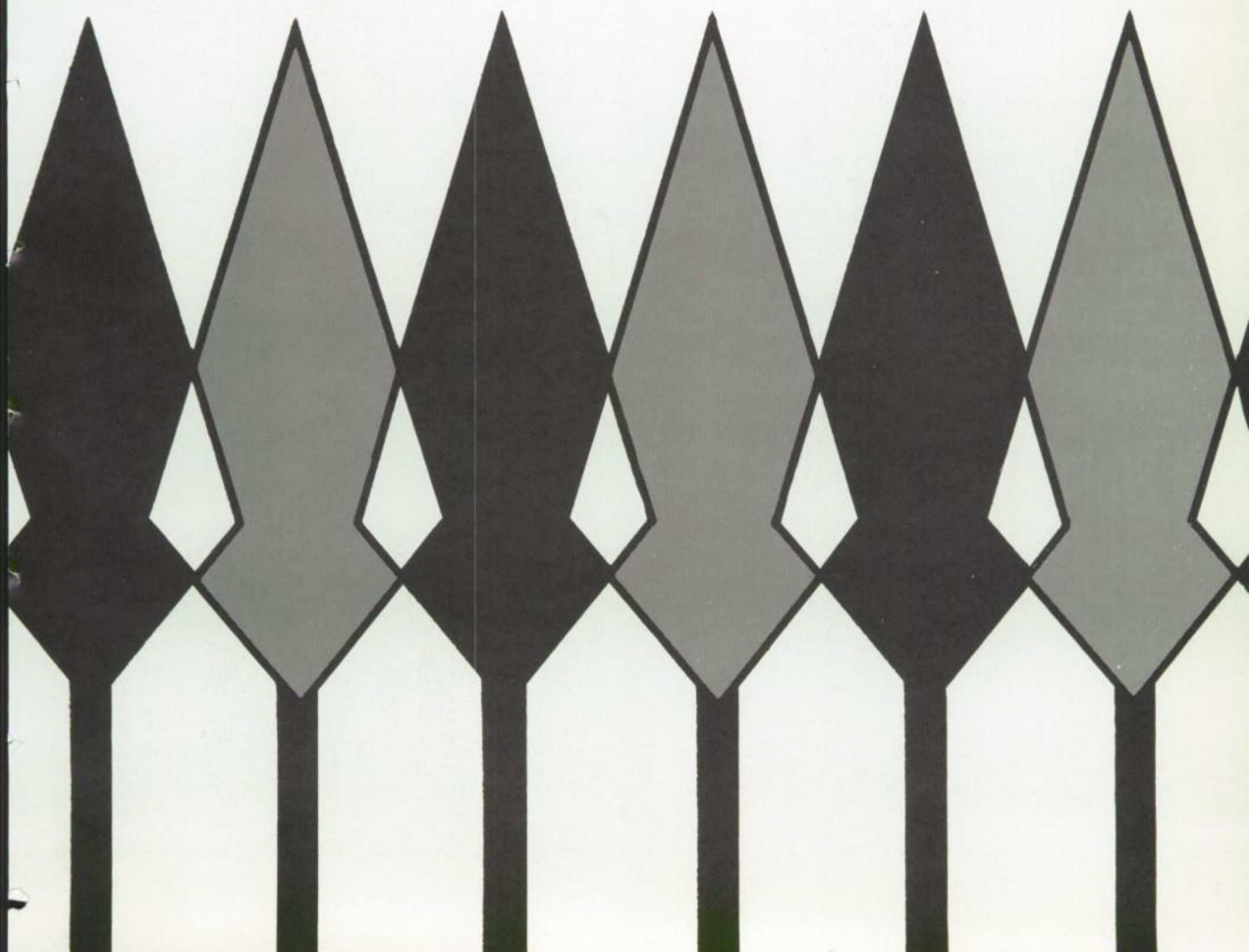
We, the Senior Class of 1968, wish to dedicate this Athenian to Mr. Jones, our class sponsor, and Mr. Gaston, our advisor for the Athenian and class plays.



We sincerely appreciate their assistance in making each of our activities a success, and hope that they will accept this honor as part of the reward they deserve.



# Administration







Mr. James V. McDonald  
Superintendent

B.S., M.S., Illinois  
State University

To the Class of 1968, this year has contained incidents of considerable significance, some of which we might single out lest they be lost in our tendency to take so much for granted.

1. You are privileged to have spent an important part of your life in Illinois and that part of Illinois made particularly important by Illinois' most famous citizen, Abraham Lincoln.

2. You are a graduate in this great commemorative year of Illinois' Sesquicentennial anniversary as a state in our union of United States.

3. You are a graduate in a year during which your community has demonstrated its interest in education and the welfare of its young people. Though the new building will not serve you, the community that is building has served you, and your mark in life will determine the degree of success the community can claim.

We wish you well and we wish you success, if not at first, then eventually. Let Lincoln's endurance and persistence be your constant reminder that success may not come. You may have to work to get it.

- Mr. McDonald

Mr. Arthur E. Spiegel  
Principal

B.S., M.S., Illinois  
State University







SCHOOL BOARD: Mr. George Olson, Mr. William Grant, Mr. Melvin Kemmerling, Mr. Robert Madlinger, President; Mr. Benjamin Rapp, Mr. Robert Zook, Mr. Weldon Gerdes.



Mrs. Florence Renken  
Secretary to Mr. McDonald



Mrs. Ann Mitts  
Secretary to Mr. Spiegel



# Maintenance



Mr. Roy Nance  
"Tuney"  
Custodian



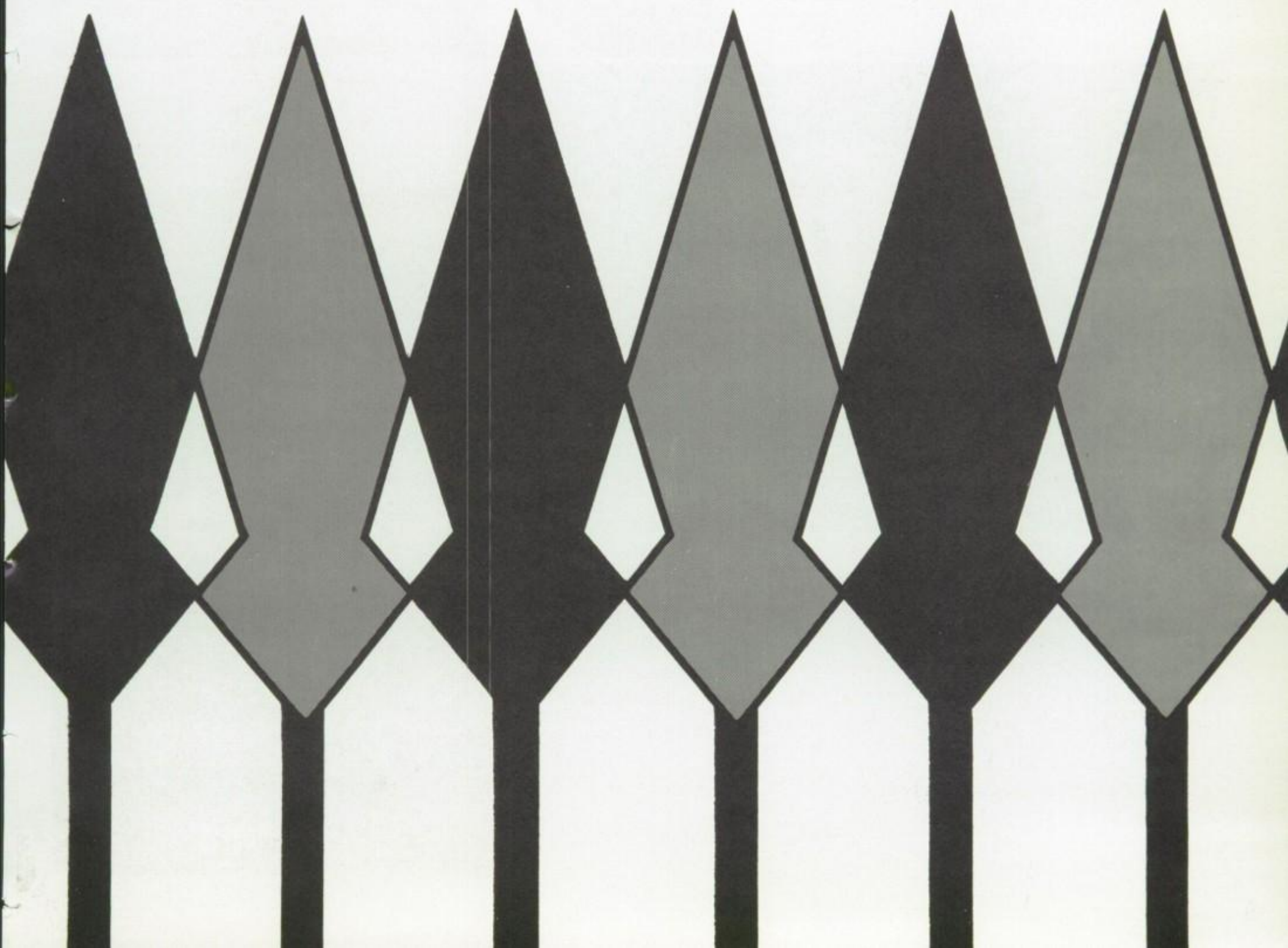
Mrs. Fawns and Mrs. Primm, Cooks

Mr. Randy Sims  
Mechanic

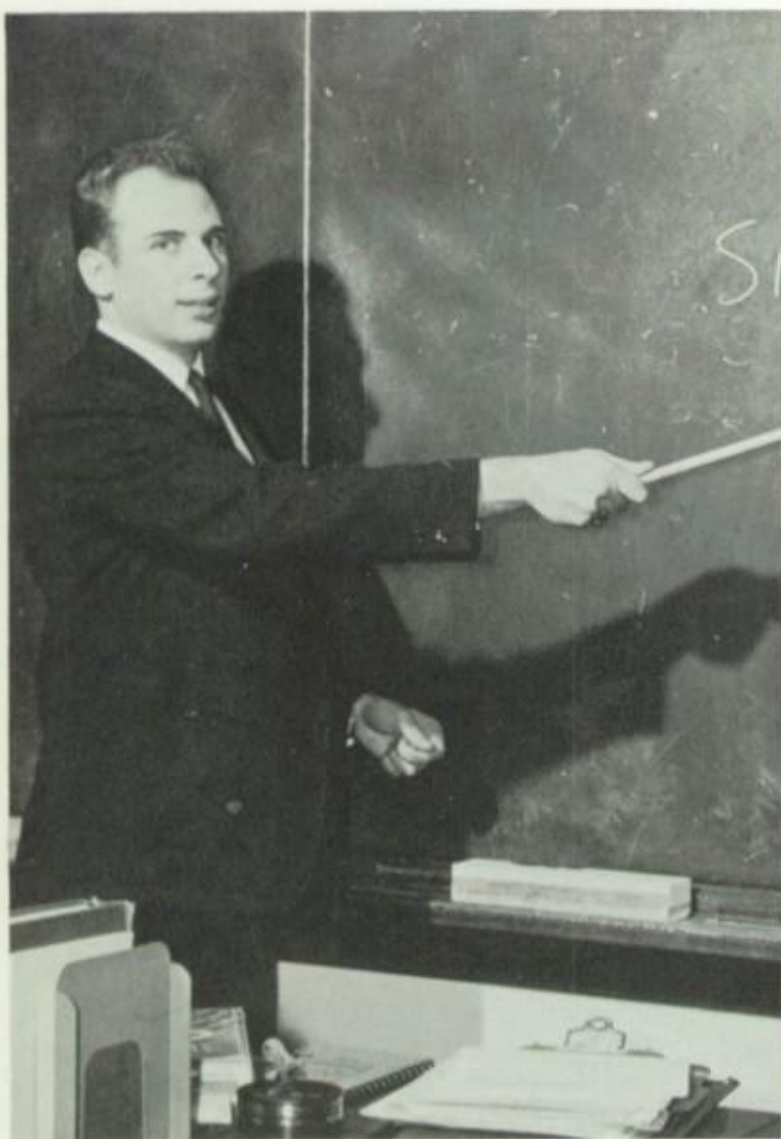




# Faculty







Mr. Russell R. Nation, Jr.  
"That's cute!"  
B.S., Illinois College.  
Algebra I, II; Geometry, Ad-  
vanced Math, Assistant  
Coach.

Mrs. Reva Dempsey  
"Wake up, Dennis."  
B.S., M.S. Western  
Illinois University.  
Psychology, Guidance Counse-  
lor.



Mr. Roy A. Taylor  
"Hey, now."  
B.S., Murray State.  
Industrial Arts I-IV.

Miss Sue Folkers  
"Geeze Weeze."  
B.A., Illinois State University.  
English II, III; Typing I.





Mr. Jack Coventry  
"Oh, really?"

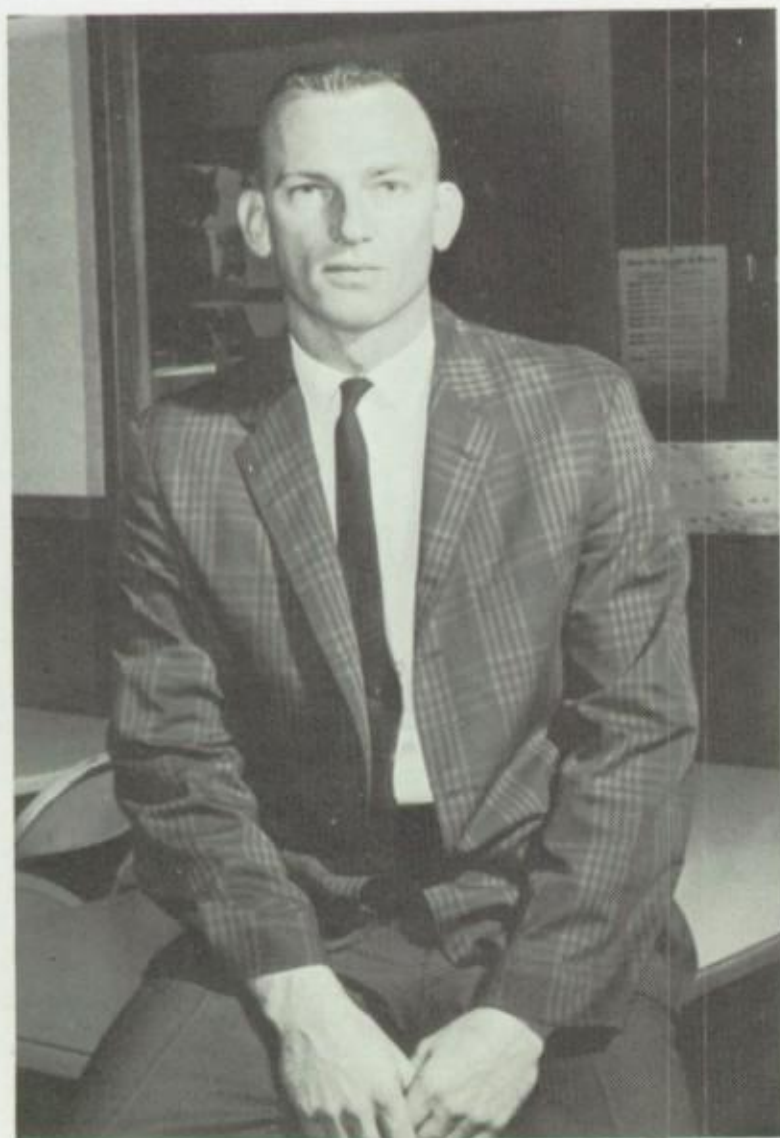
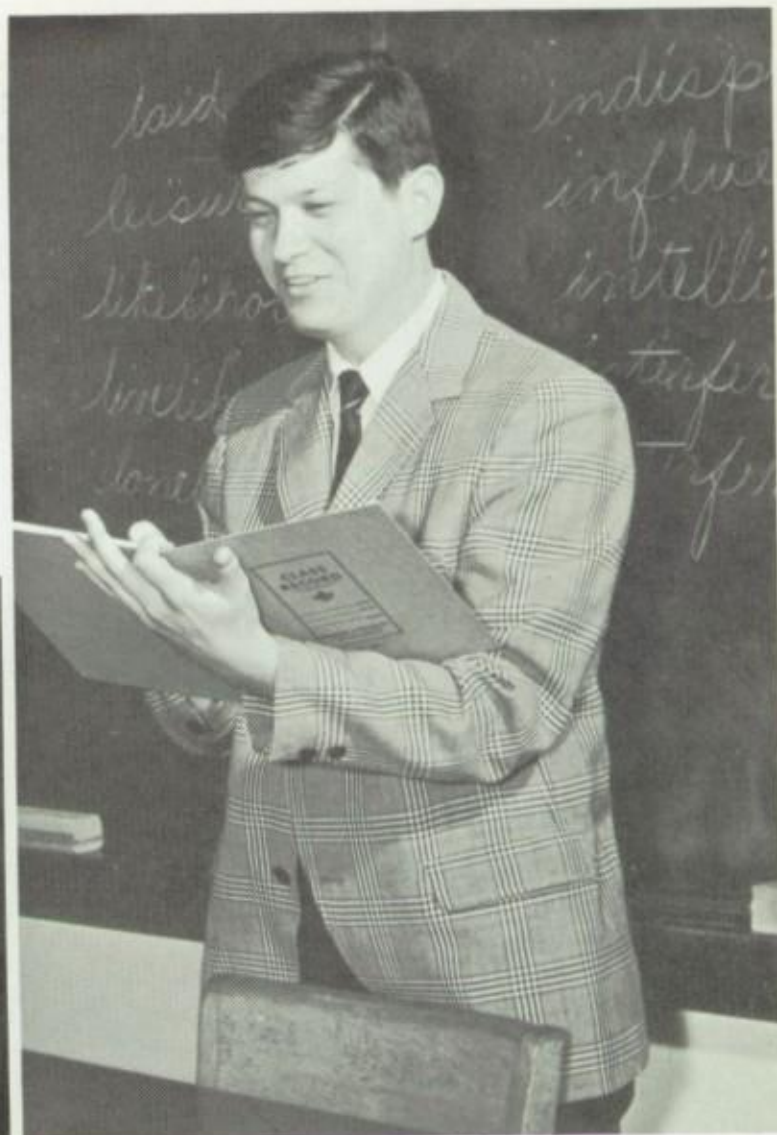
B.S., Eastern Illinois  
University.

Band, Chorus.

Mr. James Brady  
"Ooooo, bitter!"

B.S., Springfield Junior  
College, Illinois State  
University.

English I, Speech, Practical  
English.



Mr. Charles Schmidt  
"Hey, you guys!"

B.S., Southeast Missouri  
State College.  
Inter-related Co-ordinator.



Miss Lynn Pearson

"I look younger than the  
students do."

B.S., Northern DeKalb  
University.  
Speech Correctionist.

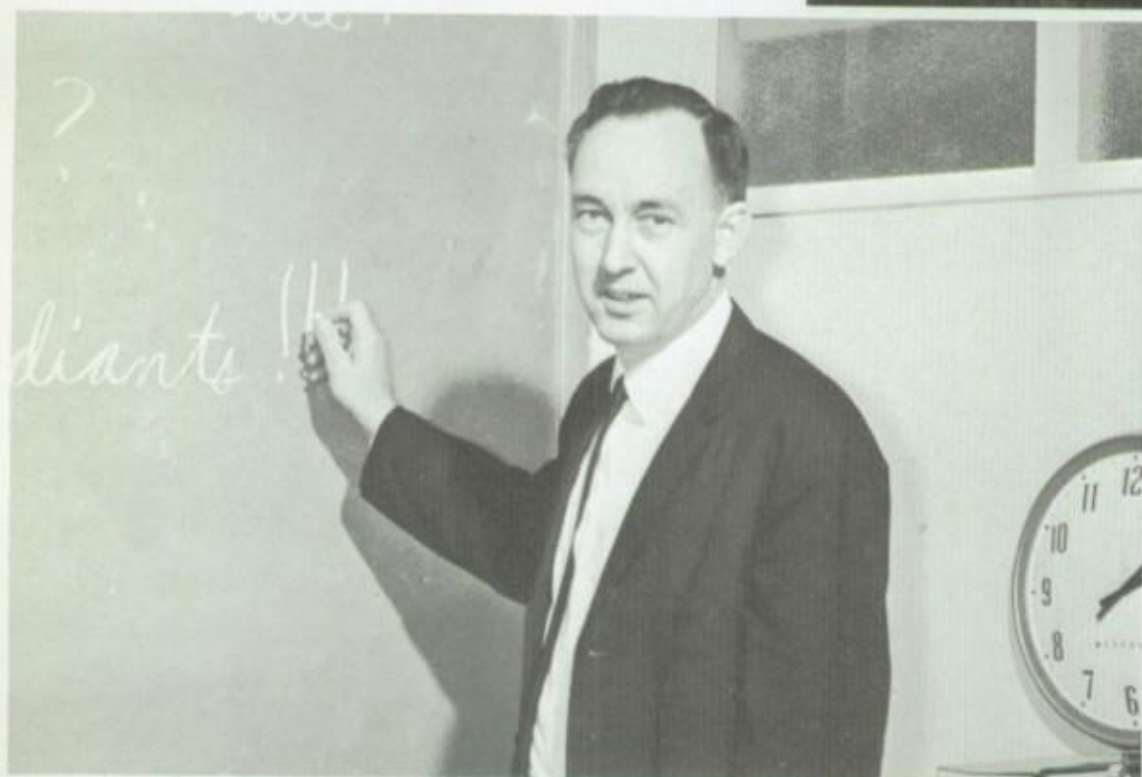




Mrs. Marquita Davis  
 "Okay, good."  
 B.S., Western Illinois  
 University.  
 Typing I, II; Shorthand I, II;  
 Bookkeeping.



Mr. Barrett N. Stuckey  
 "Unbelievable!"  
 B.S., Carthage College.  
 American Problems, American  
 History, World History, Gov-  
 ernment, Coach, and Athletic  
 Director.



Mr. Ben Gaston  
 "Oh, balderdash!"  
 B.S., Eastern Illinois  
 University, University of  
 Cincinnati, Illinois State  
 University.  
 French I, II; English IV, Li-  
 brarian.



Mr. Herman Gardner  
 "Bet the boys from Greenview  
 did it."  
 B.S., University of Illinois.  
 Vocational Agriculture, Physi-  
 cal Science.

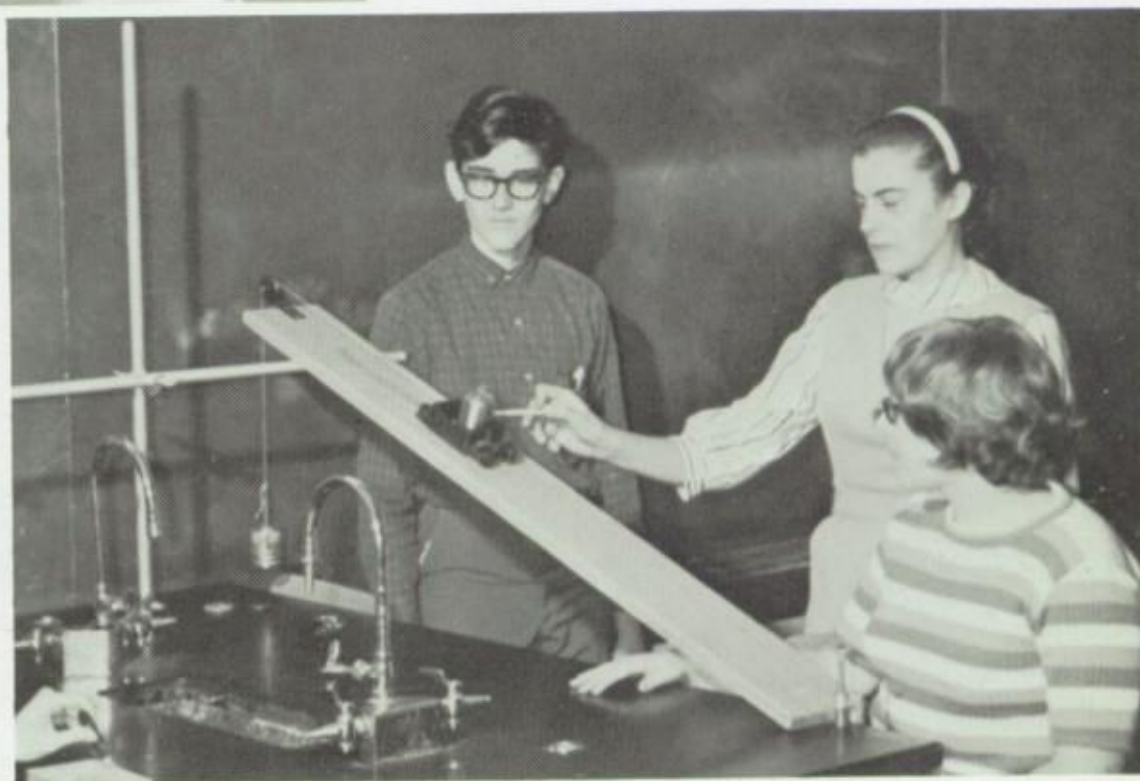
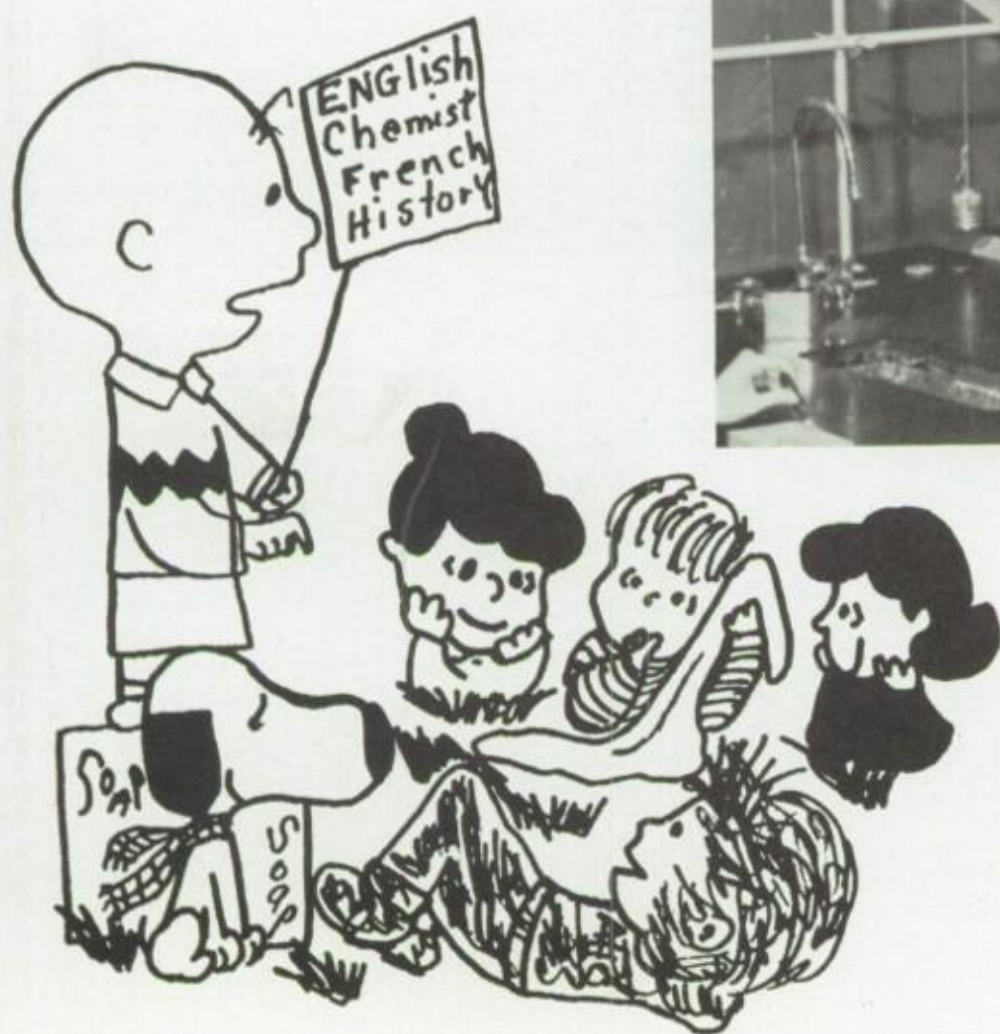


Mr. Rick Rakowski  
 "Actually,"  
 B.S., Western Illinois  
 University.

Physical Education, Drivers'  
 Education, Grade School  
 Coach.

Miss Donna Taylor  
 "Looks real sharp."  
 B.S., Kansas State College  
 of Pittsburg.

Physical Education.



Mrs. Judith McClanahan  
 "Oh, you're kidding!"

B.A., Carthage College, University  
 of Iowa, Eastern Illinois University,  
 Western Illinois University, Iowa  
 State, Milliken University.  
 Physics, Practical Math, 6th, 7th, and  
 8th grade school Math.





Mrs. Judy Fitch  
"Girls, now girls."  
B.S., Carthage College.  
Vocational Home Economics.

Mr. John H. Jones  
"Oh, I don't know."  
B.S., Illinois State University.  
Biology, General Science.



Mr. Jones



Mr. Gaston



Mrs. McClanahan



Miss Taylor



Mr. Nation



Mr. Rakowski



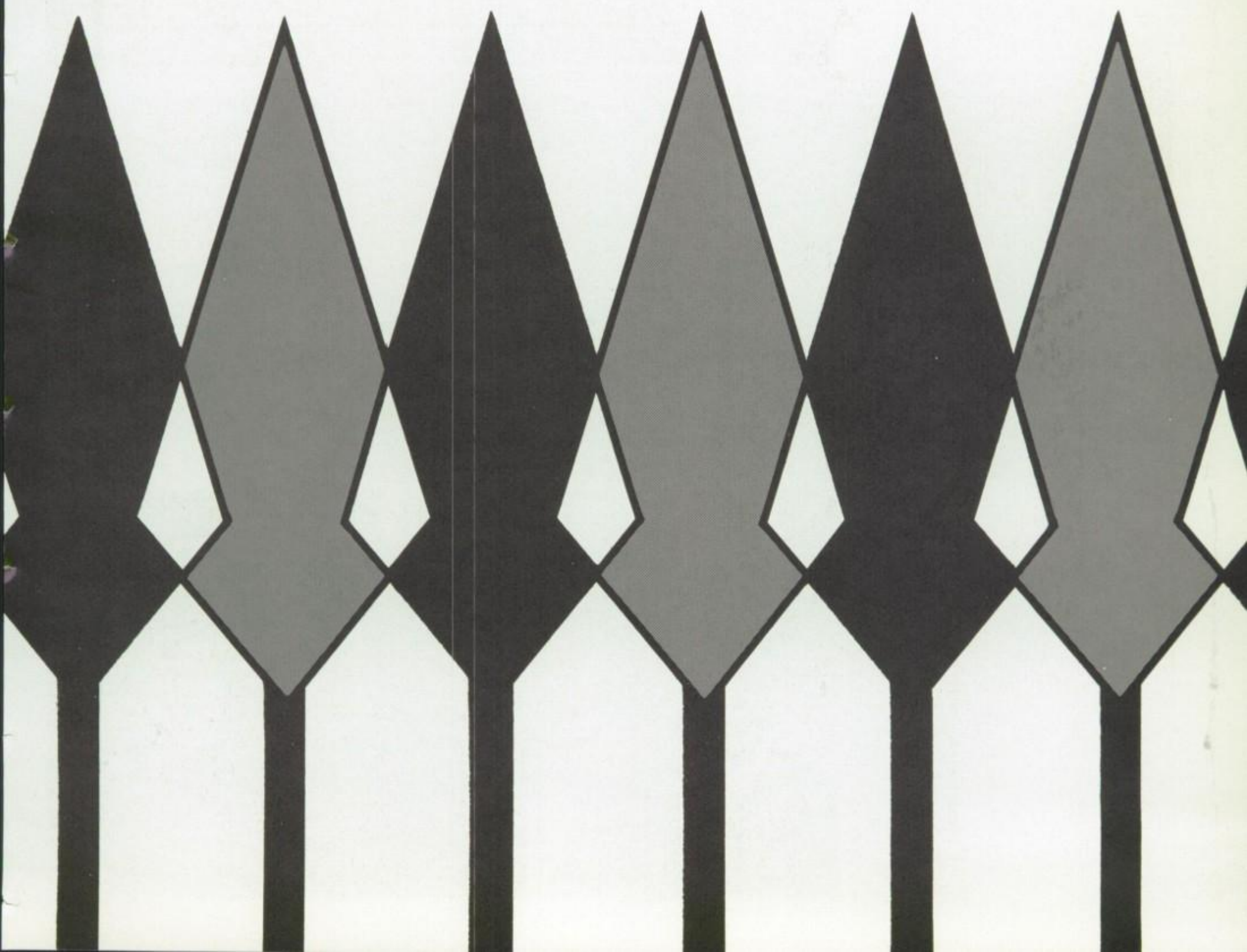
Mr. Stuckey



Mr. Brady



# Seniors







MARK ALLAN BAUGHER

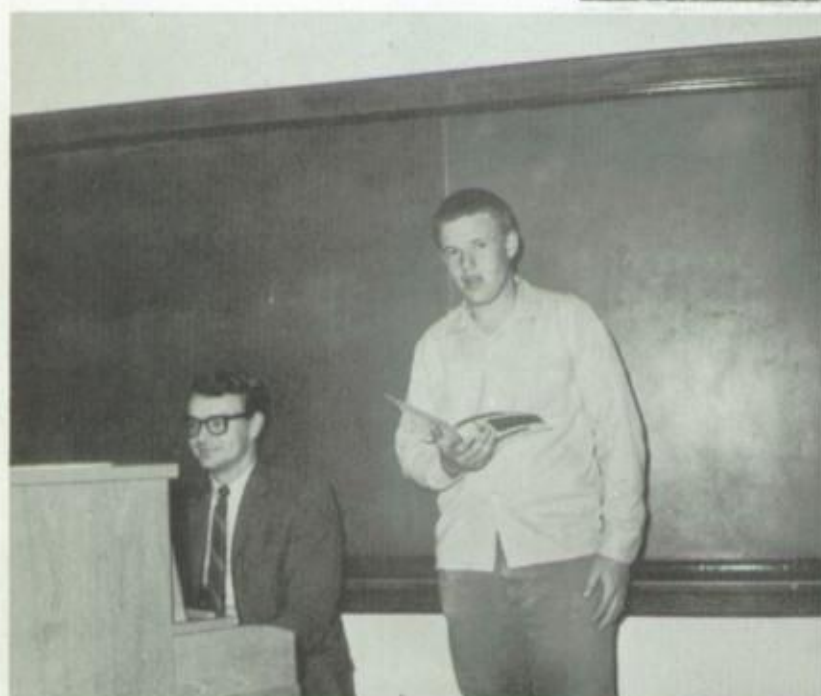
"Baugger"

Ambition: Very little. Favorite expression: "Oh, Sherry!" Activities: F.F.A. 1-4, Officer 3-4; Pep Club 1-4, Officer 4; Baseball 1-4; Basketball 1-4; Track 2, 4; Cross Country 1-3; Homecoming Court 4.

HAROLD EUGENE BEARD

"H. B."

Ambition: To become a teacher. Favorite expression: "?" Activities: Baseball 1-4; Basketball 1-4; Cross Country 1-3; Pep Club 1-4; Annual 4.



LOREN GARY BROWN

"Brownie"

Ambition: To be a farmer. Favorite expression: "You're crazy!" Activities: Chorus 1-4, Officer 4; Band 3-4; F.F.A. 1-4, Officer 4; Pep Club 2-3.

CHARLES EDWARD BRYANT

"Chuck"

Ambition: To be a great mechanic. Favorite expression: (Not printable) Activities: Chorus 1-2; T.T. 1-4; F.F.A. 1; Inter-related 3-4.





DAVID LOUIS CALDWELL

"Pong"

Ambition: To be an electronics technician. Favorite expression: "Kool baby-yeh." Activities: Pep Club 1-3.



DWAIN EARL CAMPBELL

"Boing"

Ambition: To be successful at anything I do. Favorite expression: "You don't say." Activities: T.T. 1-4; Baseball 1; Inter-related 3-4.

LARRY EUGENE CARTER

"Catfish"

Ambition: To have fun. Favorite expression: "You wish!" Activities: Baseball 2-4; Basketball 1-4; Track 1-3; Cross Country 1-4; Pep Club 1-4, Officer 4; Senior Play.



GARY LEE CONNOR

"Little Buddy"

Ambition: To be a marine. Favorite expression: "Sure-uhha." Activities: Band 1; Chorus 1-2; T.T. 1-2; Pep Club 1-2; Inter-related 3-4.





CYNTHIA JANE DANIELS

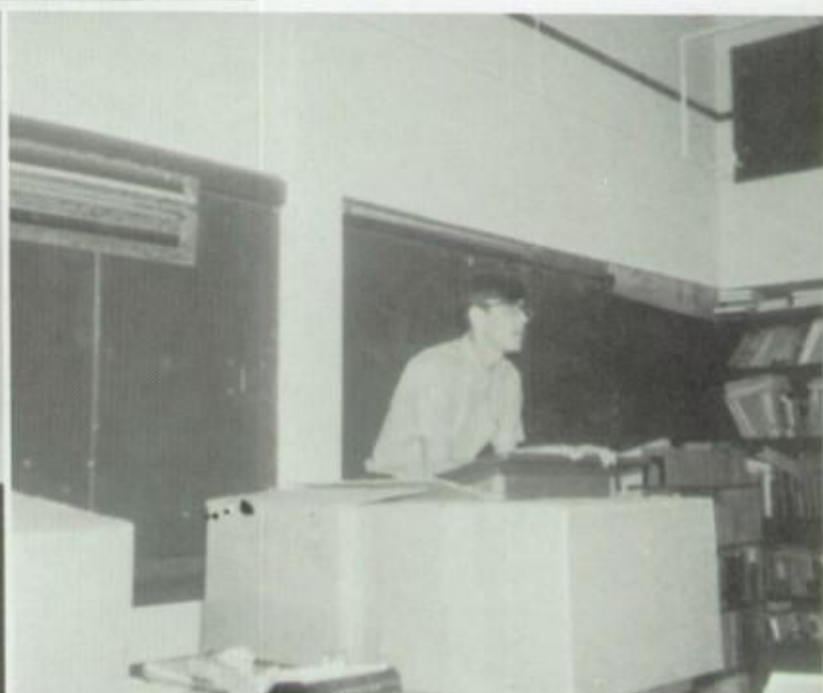
"Cindy"

Ambition: To teach the physically handicapped and enjoy the happiness of life. Favorite expression: "You'll get over it, it." Activities: F.H.A. 1-4, Officer 4; F.T.A. 3-4, Officer 4; Pep Club 2-4; G.A.A. 4; Annual 4; Chorus 1-3; Athenian Sun 2; Junior Play, Senior Play; Roll Checker 2, 4; Librarian 2-4; Inter-related 4.

GARY E. ENGEL

"Gary"

Ambition: To be a wealthy and healthy millionaire. Favorite expression: "You're kidding me!" Activities: Class President 4; F.T.A. 4; National Honor Society 3-4; Annual 4; Homecoming Court 4; Transfer from Williamsville.



KARLA ELAINE ENGEL

"Karla"

Ambition: To enjoy the happiness of life. Favorite expression: "Oh, you!" Activities: Cheerleader 2-4; Class Secretary 1, 4; F.H.A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-4; Annual 3; Athenian Sun 2; G.A.A. 4; Officer 4; Homecoming Court 4.

KENNETH WILLIAM ENGEL

"Kengel"

Ambition: To be a funloving Capitalist. Favorite expression: "Peace!" Activities: F.F.A. 1; Pep Club 1-3; Student Council 1-4, president 4; F.T.A. 3-4; Junior Play; Track 1-3; Basketball 1-2; Cross Country 1-2; Annual 4.

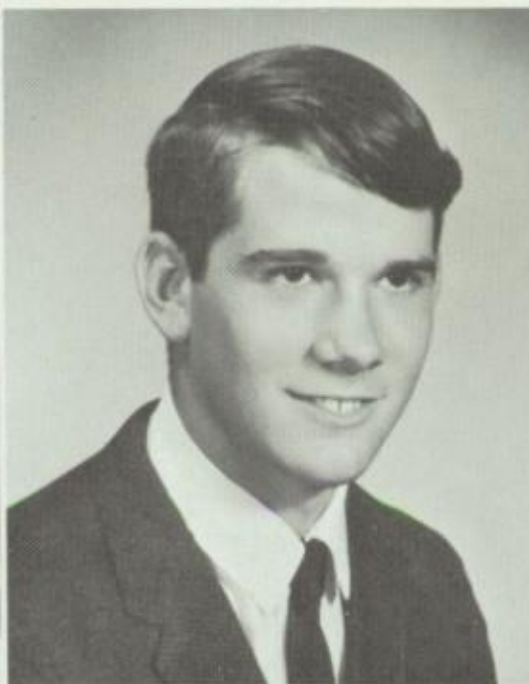
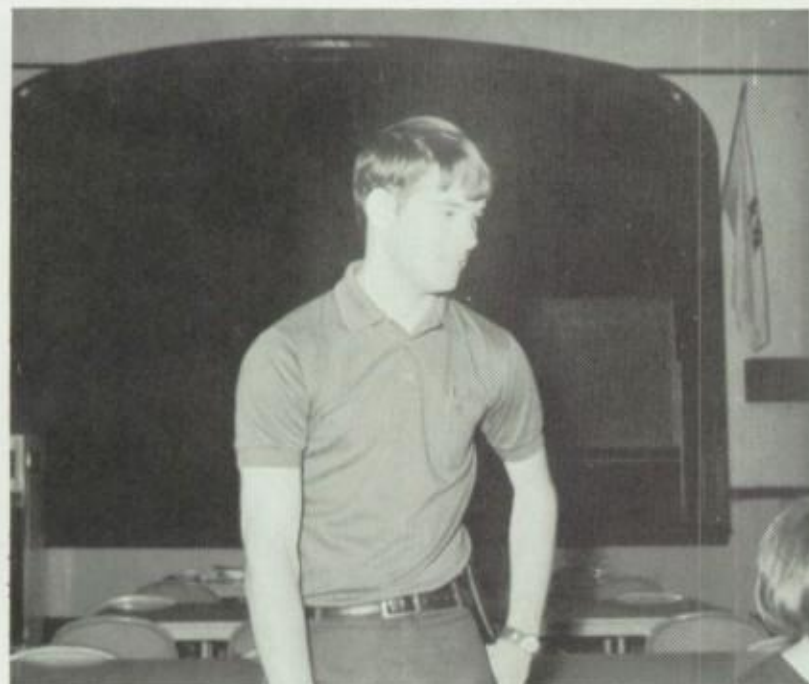




LANA DENISE ETHEL

"Lanie"

Ambition: To make a million dollars, live dangerously, and own a gold corvette. Favorite expression: "Makes me feel so ba-a-ad." Activities: G.A.A. 4, Pep Club 3, Junior Play, Senior Play.



JERRY DUANE FINCH

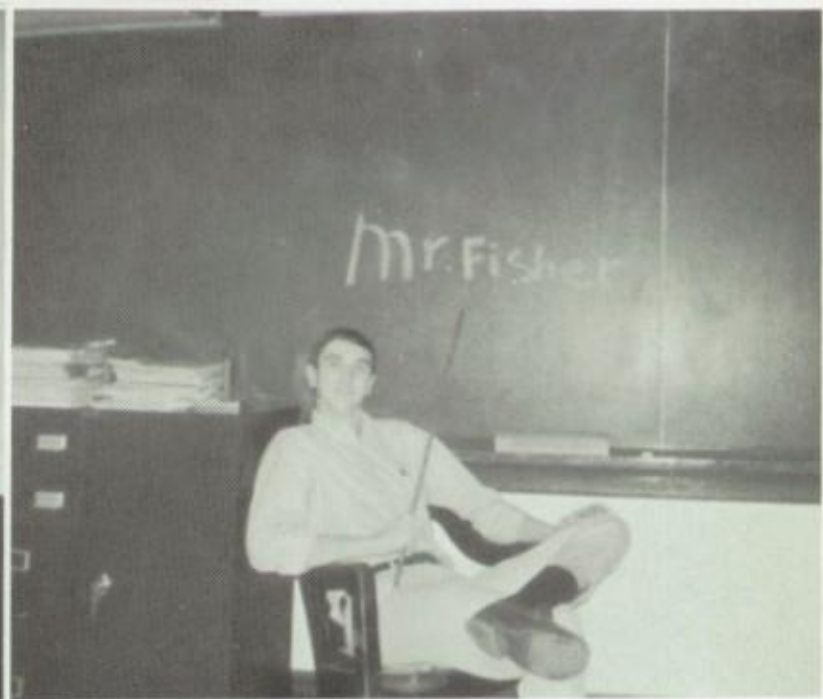
"Jerry"

Ambition: To be a flying farmer. Favorite expression: "Rats!" Activities: Band 1, 3, 4; Baseball 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Pep Club 1-4, F.F.A. 1-4.

WILLIAM CHARLES FISHER

"Fish"

Ambition: To go to college and start making my first million. Favorite expression: "Oh, Bull!" Activities: Baseball 1-3, Basketball 1-2, Cross Country 1-3, Track 1-2, Band 1-2, F.F.A. 1-4, officer 4; Librarian 3, Pep Club 1-4.



DOROTHY JEAN GEARY

"Dot"

Ambition: To be happy and successful in whatever I do, and travel extensively throughout the U.S. and Europe. Favorite expression: "Oh, you know." Activities: F.H.A. 1-4, officer 4; Chorus 1, 2, 4; G.A.A. 4, Pep Club 2-4, Junior Play, Librarian 4, Roll Checker 2, 4.





DAVID A. GLENN

"Glenn"

Ambition: To be successful in whatever I do. Favorite expression: "Oh, heck." Activities: T.T. 1-4, Inter-related 3-4.

JOHN EDWARD HAMILTON

"Ed"

Ambition: To do the easiest thing to make money. Favorite expression: "Hey, man." Activities: F.F.A. 1-4, officer 4; Pep Club 3-4.



RICHARD EVERETT HENNING

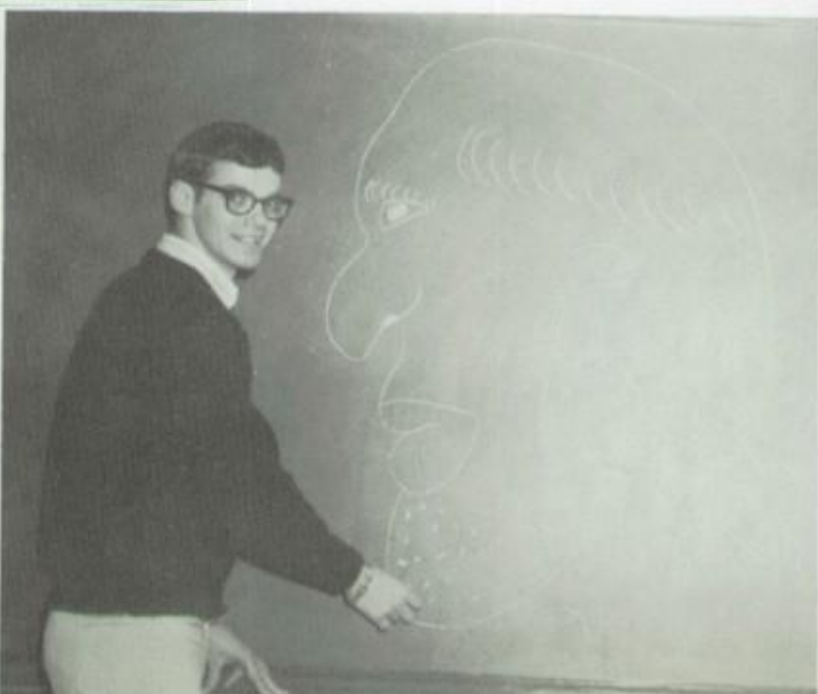
"Dick"

Ambition: To be one of the best businessmen in the U.S. Favorite expression: "Yeah?" Activities: Band 1-4, Baseball 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Track 1-4, Cross Country 1-4, F.T.A. 3-4, Pep Club 1-4, National Honor Society 3-4, Prom Court 3, Student Council 3-4, officer 4; Class Vice-President 4, Homecoming Court 4.

ROBERT EMORY HENNING

"Bob"

Ambition: To be a smashing success in the "old business world." Favorite expression: "Oh, my gosh!" Activities: Band 1-4, Baseball 1-4, Basketball 1-4, Track 1-3, Cross Country 1-4, F.T.A. 3-4, Pep Club 1-4, National Honor Society 3-4, Class President 2, Student Council 4, Homecoming Court 3-4.





CHERYL LYNN HOPKINS

"Sherry"

Ambition: To become a famous fashion designer and live in Paris. Favorite expression: "Good Gravey!"

Activities: Pep Club 1-4, F.H.A. 1-2, 4; Junior Play, Senior Play, Athenian Sun 2, Annual 4.



LARRY EUGENE HOPKINS

"Larry"

Ambition: To become an Internal Revenue agent. Favorite expression: "Would you believe?" Activities: (Transferred from Springfield High).

JEFFERY KENT HOPWOOD

"Hop"

Ambition: To graduate from college and have a good time doing it. Favorite expression: "Yes, sir!" Activities: Basketball 1-4, Cross Country 1-3, Junior Play, Pep Club 1-3.



VIOLET VICKI HOWARD

"Vicki"

Ambition: To be successful in whatever I do. Favorite expression: "Well, boy!" Activities: Inter-related 4.





JERRY ARTHUR HUGHES

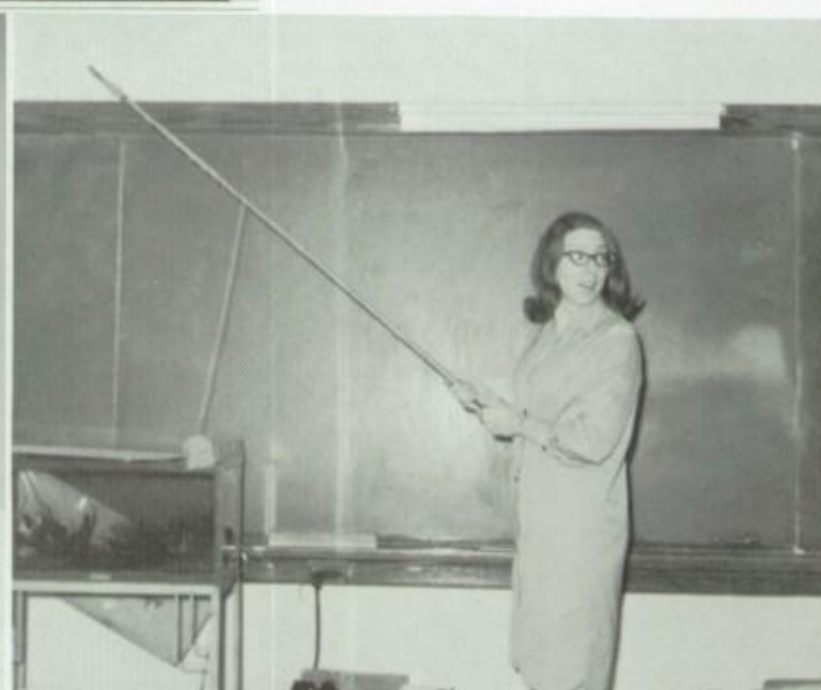
"Arlas"

Ambition: To be an electronics technician. Favorite expression: "What you say? I can't hear you!" Activities: T.T. 1-4, Pep Club 1-4.

DIANE KAY IRWIN

"Di"

Ambition: To go to Illinois College and to have a life full of happiness. Favorite expression: "You've got that right!" Activities: Chorus 1-2, Pep Club 2-4, officer 4; Athenian Sun 2, G.A.A. 4, officer 4; Athenian Sun 2, G.A.A. 4, officer 4; F.T.A. 3-4, officer 4; Librarian 2, 4; Annual 4.



DENNIS J. KEMMERLING

"The Mole"

Ambition: To be successful in whatever I do. Favorite expression: "Hey, cut it out!" Activities: Pep Club 2-4, Librarian 2-4, Science Club 2, Annual 4, Manager 2-4, Track 3-4, Junior Play.

DAVID EUGENE KEMPER

"Dave"

Ambition: To be a successful farmer. Favorite expression: "Jeesie Peasie!" Activities: F.F.A. 1-4, Chorus 1-4.





LINDA KAY KERN

"Linda"

Ambition: To have a lot of fun and be happy. Favorite

Expression: "Gee Whiz!"

Activities: F.H.A. 1-4; Pep Club 2-4; Athenian Sun 2; G.A.A. 4; Homecoming Court 4.



TERRENCE LEE MILLER

"T"

Ambition: To graduate from S.I. U. Favorite Expression: "Shim" Activities: Baseball 1-4; Basketball 1-2; Cross Country 1-3; Track; 2, 4; Athenian Sun 1-2; Pep Club 1-4; F.T.A. 3-4, officer 4; Annual 4; Class Vice-President 3, Junior Play, Senior Play, Homecoming Court 4.

STEPHEN EDWARD MITTS

"Steve"

Ambition: To be successful in whatever I do. Favorite expression: "Hey, man!" Activities: Band 1-4; Baseball 1-4; Basketball 1-4; Pep Club 1-3; Track 1-2; F.F.A. 1-4, officer 3-4; Class Vice-President 1-2, Class President 3, Junior Play, Senior Play, National Honor Society 3-4, Athenian Sun 1-2; Annual 3-4; Prom Court 3-4; Homecoming Court 4.



DEBORAH NEIBERT

"Deb"

Ambition: To become a successful beautician. Favorite expression: "Tell me about it!" Activities: Band 1-3, officer 3; Chorus 1-2; Pep Club 1-4, officer 4, F.H.A. 1-2, 4; F.T.A. 4; Athenian Sun 2; Junior Play; Class Secretary 2; Homecoming Queen 4.





MICHAEL ALAN PARKHURST  
"Black Barch"

Ambition: To be a success in whatever I do. Favorite expression: "Take it easy, 'weed'." Activities: Pep Club 1-3, T.T. 1-4, officer 4.

GARY L. RAPP

"Rapp"

Ambition: To attend and graduate from college. Favorite expression: "You kiddin' me." Activities: Pep Club 1, 2-4; F.F.A. 1-4, officer 3, 4; T.T. 4, Officer 4; Basketball 1, Track 2-3, Cross Country 1-3, Librarian 3-4.



JAMES LAUREL RUSSELL

"Russ"

Ambition: To become President of General Motors and later President of the United States. Favorite expression: "Hey, man!" Activities: T.T. 1-3, Science Club 1; Inter-related 3-4.

NANCY JEAN SANDERFIELD

"Nancy"

Ambition: To be happy. Favorite expression: "I don't care." Activities: Cheer-leading 1; F.H.A. 1-2; Student Council 2-4, officer 4; Pep Club 1-3.





CHARLES EDWARD SANDOVAL  
"Chuck"

Ambition: To join the navy, and then become a pilot. Favorite Expression: "Can't prove it by me". Activities: Pep Club 1-4; Baseball 3.

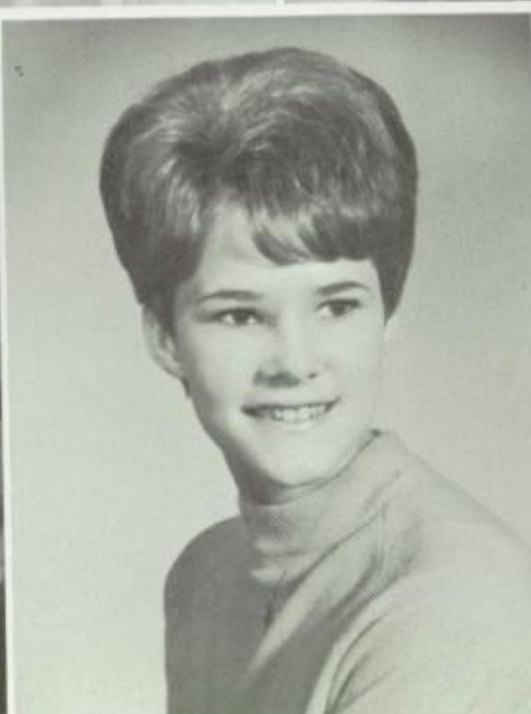


DONALD FRANKLIN SCHMIDT  
"Schmidty"

Ambition: To become an M.D. Favorite Expression: "Oh, Phooey!" Activities: Band 1-4; Baseball 3-4; Basketball 3-4; Track 3-4; Athenian Sun 1-2, Assistant Editor 2; Athenian 4, Editor 4.

JOANN ELIZABETH SHAHEEN  
"Jo"

Ambition: To be an Inhalation Therapist and to get married to Tom. Favorite Expression: "Groovy". Activities: Chorus 1; F.H.A. 1-4; Pep Club 1-3, officer 3; Homecoming Court 3; Prom Court 3; Librarian 3; Interrelated 4, officer 4.



SHARON SHOWALTER  
"Walt"

Ambition: To become the world's top beautician and then marry S.M. Favorite expression: "Steve" Activities: Pep Club 1-4, Cheerleader 2-4, Junior Play, Senior Play, Band 1, Chorus 1-3, Roll Checker 3-4, F.H.A. 1-4, Inter-related 4.





LINDA BERDINE SOFNKSEN

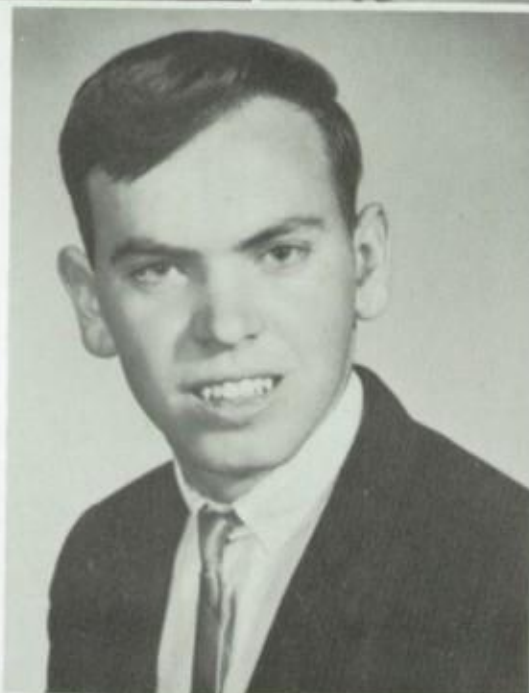
"Lin"

Ambition: To graduate from high school and marry and have a happy future. Favorite Expression: "As a matter of fact..." Activities: Chorus 2-3; Pep Club 3; F.H.A. 2-4; G.A.A. 4, officer 4; Jr. Play.

CHARLES LAVERNE STROISCH

"Charlie"

Ambition: To become a fighter pilot in the air force. Favorite Expression: "I don't know"



JUDY KAY TRAINOR

"Poood"

Ambition: To be happy in whatever I do. Favorite Expression: "Oh, great!" Activities: Chorus 1-3; F.H.A. 1-4; Interrelated 4.

JUDITH KAY WELCH

"Judy"

Ambition: To become a secretary. Favorite Expression: "This is true" Activities: Chorus 1-2; F.H.A. 1-2.





# Class Will

We, the Senior Class of 1968, do hereby will and bequeath the following: I,

JOHN QUINCY ARLAS, all my church keys and my ability to use them to Gay-Gay, and all my good grades and ability to get along with the faculty to Dig and Waz, they need it.

BARON VON MARKEN BAUGHER, my Fokker Triplane to the newly ordained Baron Von Kevin Schmidt, and all my pains during basketball season to Rex P. HAROLD BEARD, all my bench warming abilities to Ken C., and all my intelligence and good luck in life to Curtis K.

GARY BROWN, my ability to get along with Mr. Coventry to Doug P. and my ability to get along with Mr. Gardner to John R.

CHUCK BRYANT, my '56 Chevy to Greg P. and my ability to stay out of trouble to Jim W.

DAVID CALDWELL, my ability to get through high school to anybody who needs it.

DWAIN CAMPBELL, my eyes to Pat F. and my driving ability to Marsha.

LARRY CARTER, my first base position to Mark H., and my ability in Math to Dwight T. and Rex P.

GARY CONNOR, my ability to get dates to Don C., and any of my unfinished work at school to Rick F.

CINDY DANIELS, My excellent co-ordination to Melanie V., my good looks to my brother, Joe, my ability to stay out of trouble to my brother, Rusty, and all of my good times and driving ability to "Shownie."

GARY ENGEL, don't care to will anything I have to anyone I know. I'm going to take everything with me when I go. If I can't do this, I'll refuse to go.

KARLA ENGEL, my cheerleading position to Judy Mitts, and all my good times to Nancy C.

KEN ENGEL, my mastery of the English language to Pete O., and my gentle ways to Dan D.

LANA ETHELL, my ability to talk to Jean E., and my ability to find out secrets about teachers to Carol W.

JERRY FINCH, my height and my good times to my brother, Jim.

BILL FISHER, anything I have to anyone who wants it, and my long hair to any short-haired person.

DOROTHY GEARY, my ability to stay out of trouble to my sister, Judy, and my driving ability to "Shownie."

DAVID GLENN, my mechanical ability to anyone who needs it and my electrical ability to anyone who wants it.

JOHN HAMILTON, my money and car to Pete B., and all my musical ability to Doug P.

BOB HENNING, my outstanding character and tremendous personality to Rick Freer, and my over-abundance of musical talent to Pete O.

DICK HENNING, my band chair to Pete O., and my ability to play cards to Steve Basso; he needs all my luck.

LARRY HOPKINS, all my good time at A.C.H.S. to anyone who wants them.

SHERRY HOPKINS, all of my good times to Deb T., and all of my creepy ways in Mr. Stuckey's class to any other creep who needs them.

JEFF HOPWOOD, my x-girl friends to Pat Freeman, my height to Pete Oglesby, and my brains to Ken Crivea.

VICKI HOWARD, my brains to my brother, Ronnie, and all of my happiness at A.C.H.S. to the freshmen.

DIANE IRWIN, all of my old lab books to Marcy K., my Math abilities to Nancy S., and any of my left-over "laughs" or "luck" to Judy G.

DENNIS KEMMERLING, my manager's job to Jim O., and all of my happy times to the poor people who have to return.

DAVID KEMPER, my car to Denny A., and my brains to anyone that needs them.

LINDA KERN, my ability to get myself out of trouble to Deb T. and any other abilities I may have to Nancy C.

TERRY MILLER, my ability to cause trouble (and to get away with it at times) to Mr. Brady and Mr. Stuckey.

STEVE MITTS, my athletic ability to Pete O., and my ability to stay out of trouble to Rex P.

DEBBIE NEIBERT, to Becky N. and Pam H., all my good times at A.H.S.

MIKE PARKHURST, my ability to stay out of trouble to Dan D. and Randy W., and my smarts to whoever is stupid enough to have them.

GARY RAPP, my ability to get along with Mr. Taylor to the class of '71.

JIM RUSSELL, that there be peace, prosperity and good will towards all who enter and graduate from Athens High School.

NANCY SANDERFIELD, my ability to stay out of trouble to Sharon S.

CHUCK SANDOVAL, my flawless talent for not being able to make anything above a "C" average in Speech to Mr. Brady.

DON SCHMIDT, my entire life's fortune of 34¢ to the class of '69.

JOANN SHAHEEN, my good times and happy moments at A.C.H.S. to all my friends.

SHARON SHOWALTER, my Varsity cheerleading position to Cindy Henderson, my bad times at A.C.H.S. to my sister and Judy Mitts, and all the good times and happy moments at A.C.H.S. to all my friends.

LINDA SOENKSEN, my ability to get along with teachers to Melanie V. and all the wonderful times I've had to Jeanne T., Marcy K., and Kathy L.

CHARLES STROISCH, all my books to the person who has the brains to study them.

JUDY TRAINOR, my long blond hair to Gayle Freeman, my arm splint to Patty Wilcox, and my good looks and good times at A.C.H.S. to my sister, Jean.

JUDY WELCH, my old schoolbooks to Vicki Rogers, and my ability to stay out of trouble to my brother, Dave.



# Senior Trip

On June 3, 4, and 5, the Seniors visited Chestnut Mountain Resort overlooking the Mississippi River, near Galena, Illinois. While at Chestnut, they enjoyed swimming, horse-back riding, miniature golfing, riding the ski lift, and other activities. They spent Tuesday afternoon sight-seeing and shopping in Galena, the site of Grant's home.



Mr. Jones: our class sponsor.



Mr. and Mrs. Hopkins, chaperones.



CLASS OFFICERS: Larry Carter, Treas.; Gary Engel, Pres.; Karla Engel, Sec.; Dick Henning, Vice-Pres.



Shopping in Galena



76 games! Unbelievable!



Six o'clock is just too early.



Visiting the historical sites.



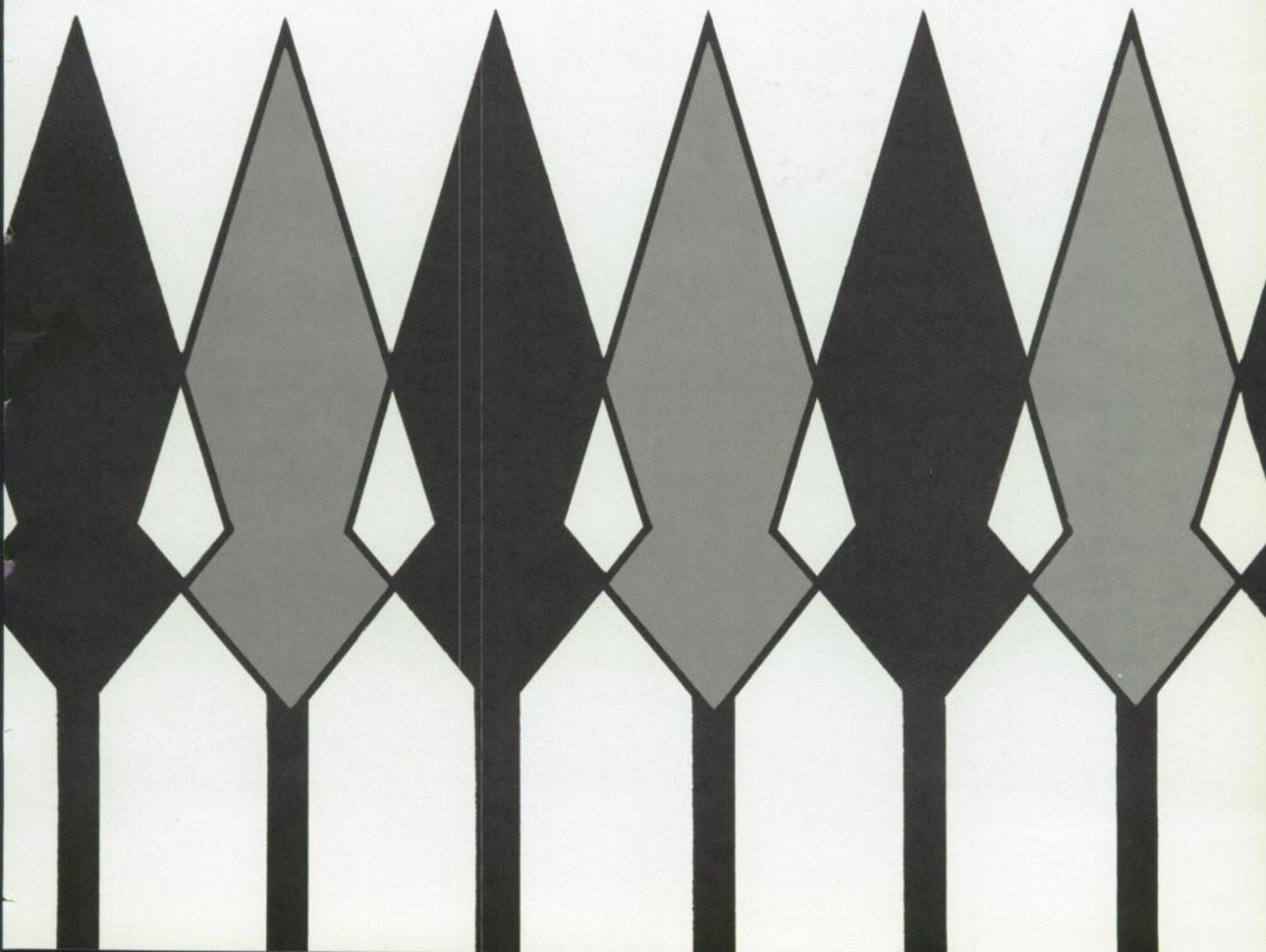
Our spacious swimming pool.



Which one is the horse?



# Juniors







CLASS OFFICERS: Ken Crivea, Vice-President; Linda Prohaska, Treasurer; Mrs. Fitch, Sponsor; Brenda Abeln, Secretary; Mr. Taylor, Sponsor; Sally Hills, President.



Brenda Abeln  
Jeri Ann Coady

Karen Anderson  
Ken Crivea



Rick Freer  
Dick Marten

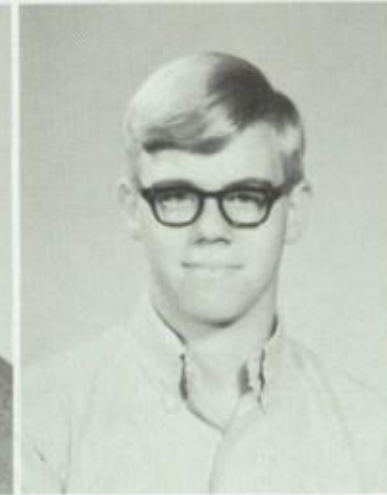
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Nancy Nix

Barb Grant  
Pete Oglesby

Sherrill Guy  
Doug Primm

Bob Hackman  
Linda Prohaska





Kathy Blakley  
Dean Cronister

Cliff Bryant  
Joe Daniels

Mike Bryant  
Marsha Davis

Nancy Caldwell  
Dennis Ferguson

Don Cantrall  
Gayle Freeman



Sally Hills  
Barb Ranney

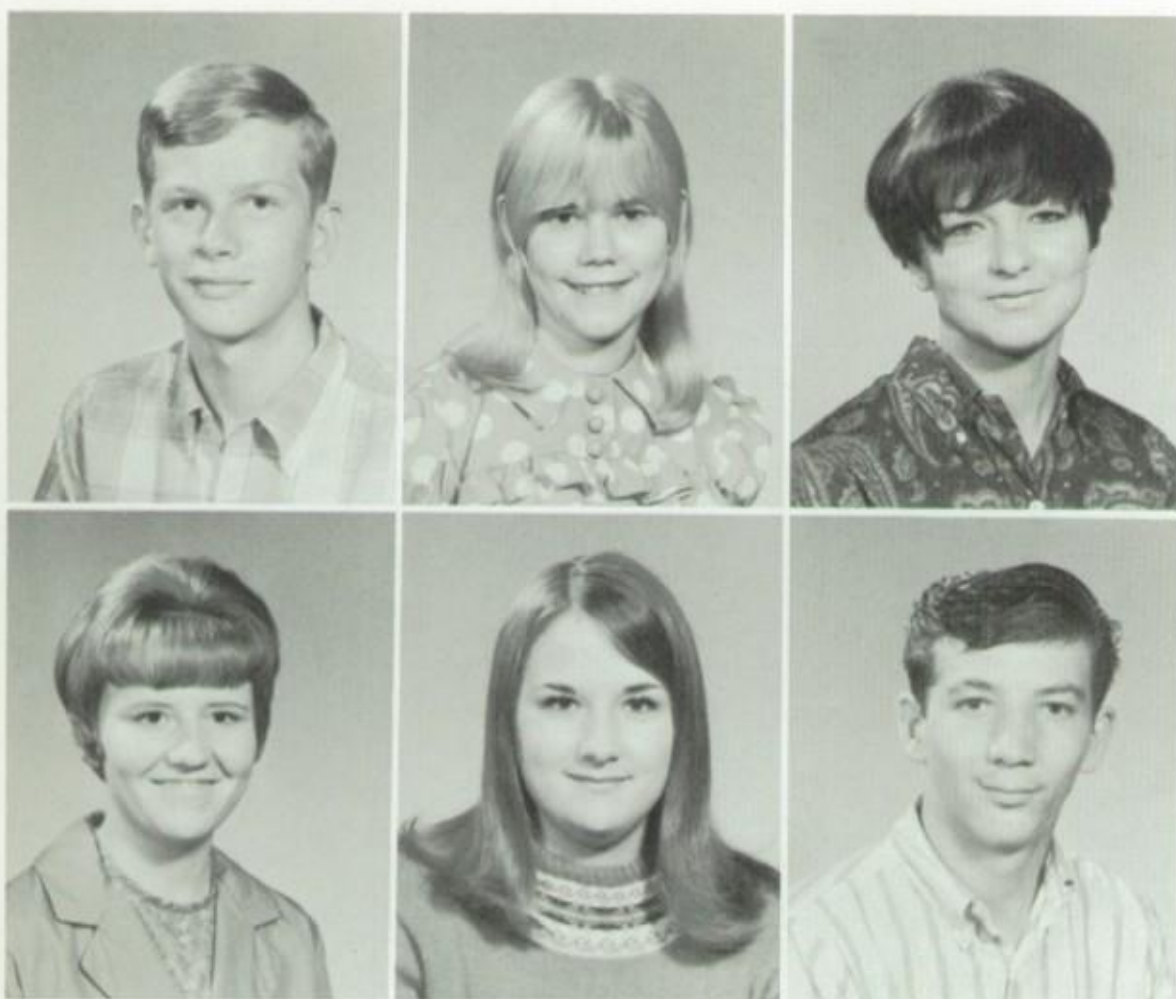
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John Ratliff

Marcy Kelly  
Carl Rhodes

Curtis Kemmerling  
Ivan Rhodes

Kathy Lovell  
Kevin Schmidt





Lynn Sexton  
Debbie Tobias

Gail Showalter  
Jeanne Trainor

Mary Jo Thompson  
John Turley



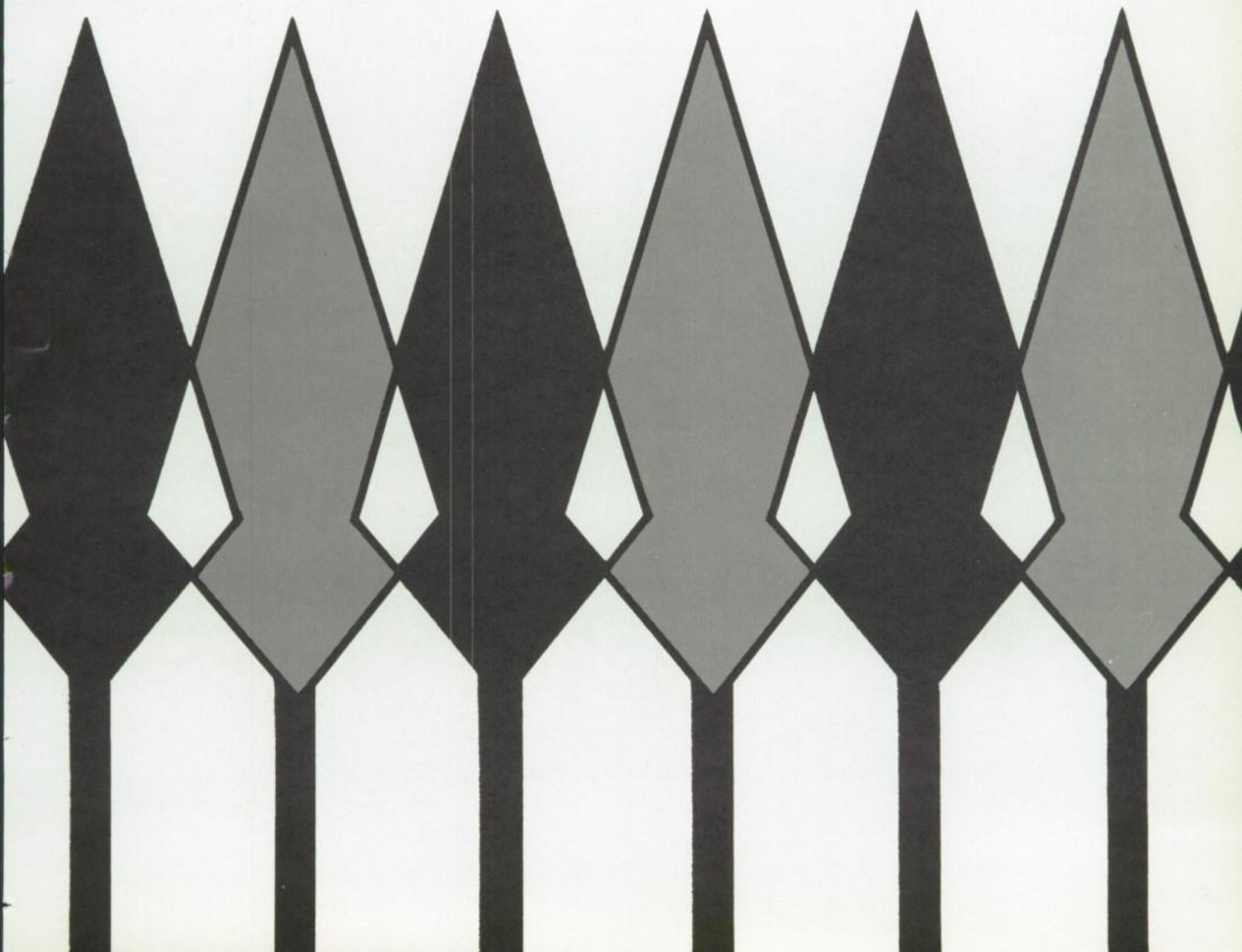
Melanie Vasconcelles  
Jerry Westman

Betty Walsh  
Carol Wethington

Susan Walsh  
Patty Wilcox



# Sophomores







CLASS OFFICERS: Cindy Henderson, Treasurer; Steve Basso, President; Mr. Brady, Sponsor; Mary Bell, Secretary; Byron Brown, Vice-President.



Steve Basso  
Marlene Beard  
Marvin Beard  
Mary Bell



Pat Bell  
Marilyn  
Brookshier  
Byron Brown  
Pat Bryant



Wilma Bryant  
Jim Caldwell  
Jerry Callarman  
Stan Carls

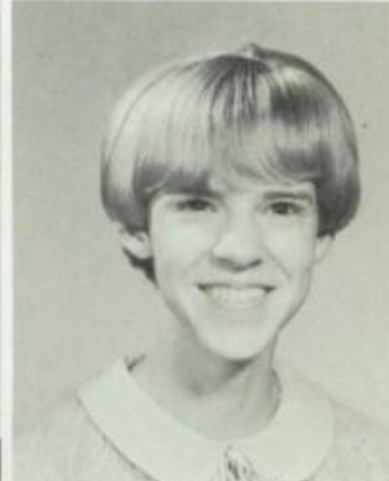
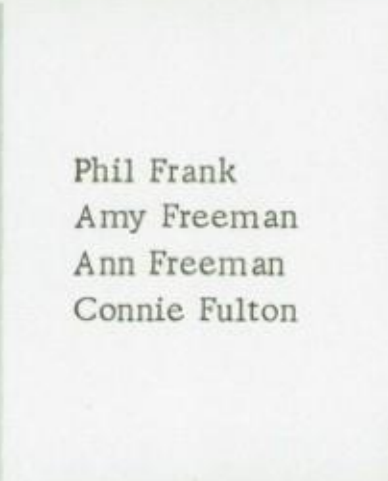




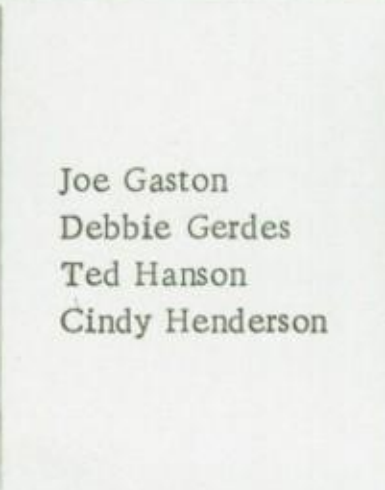
Rod Coady  
Sandra Conner  
Sherry Davis  
Diane DeMars



Dan DiGiovanna  
Jean Eden  
Monica Evans  
Brenda Ferguson



Phil Frank  
Amy Freeman  
Ann Freeman  
Connie Fulton



Joe Gaston  
Debbie Gerdes  
Ted Hanson  
Cindy Henderson

Mark Hopwood  
Stephanie Hughes  
Mark Irwin  
Marsha Kemper





Doris Maxwell  
John Miller  
Judy Mitts  
Jim Oglesby



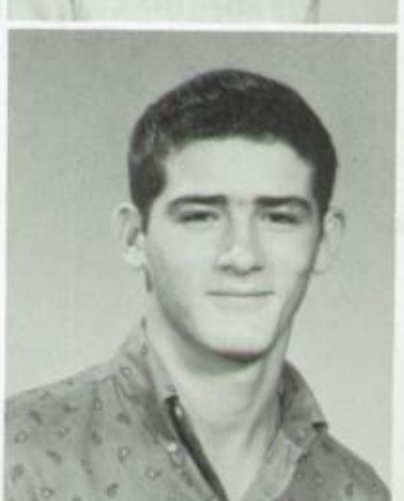
Polly Poynter  
Rudy Prohaska  
Nancy Ratliff  
Ross Rhodes



Marilyn Russell  
David Sandoval  
Steve Schmidgall  
Eileen Shaheen



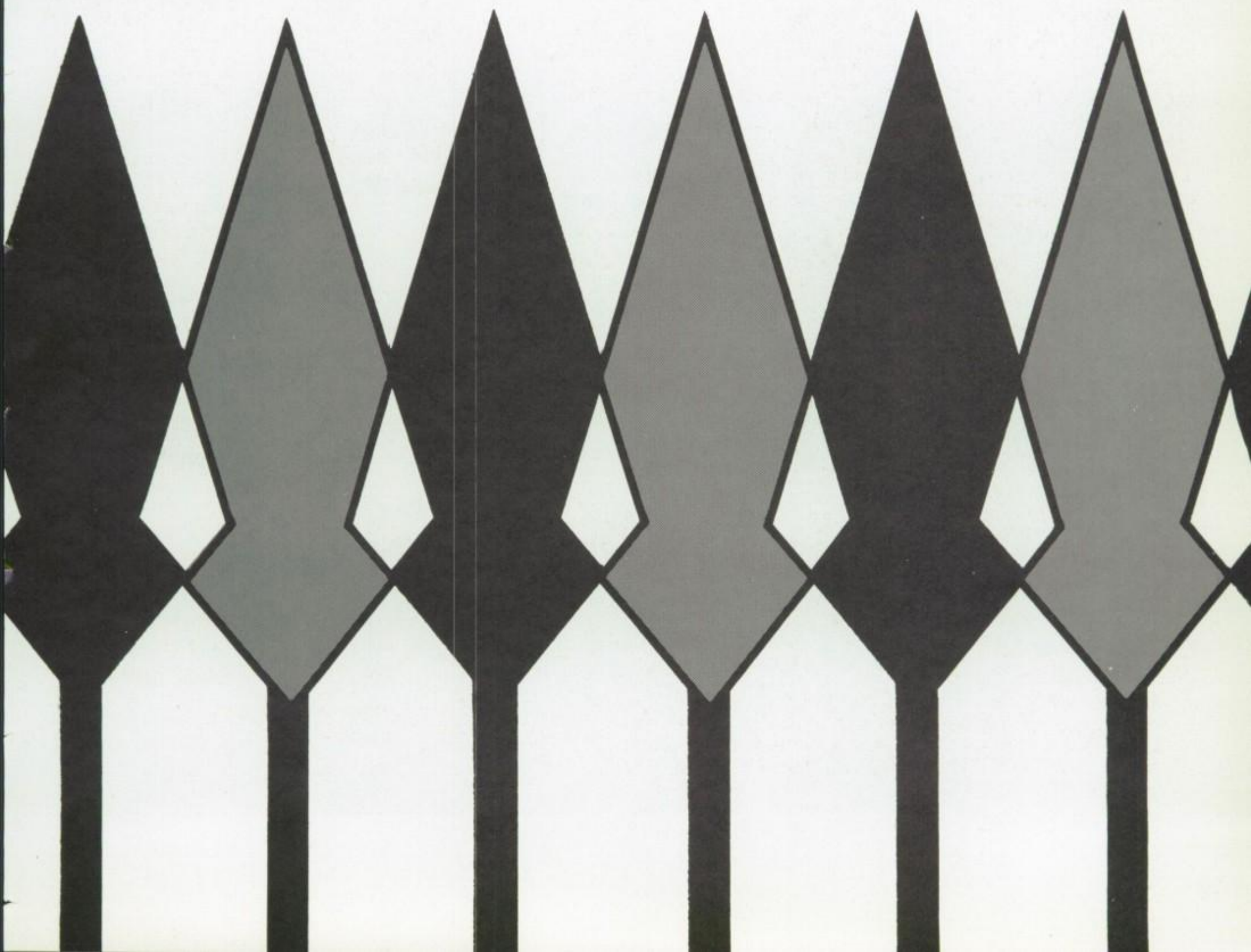
Nancy Shown  
Arlene Stringfield  
Shirley Stroisch  
Robert Taylor



David Vincent  
Randy Wasilewski  
David Welch  
Mike Whitmore



# Freshmen







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Kim Anderson  
Beth Backer  
Nancy Blakley  
Karen Bryant

Virginia Burris  
Ronda Caldwell  
Ron Canterbury  
Harold Cantrall



Sheila Cantrall  
Linda Cole  
Steve Council  
Kirk Crivea

Rusty Daniels  
Larry Ethell  
Mina Evans  
Jim Finch





Pat Freeman  
Judy Geary  
Eldon Hamilton  
Ron Howard



Pam Hughes  
Rachel Jefferies  
Susan Kemmerling  
Dennis Kemper

Nancy Kincaid  
Sandra Kiper  
Jerri Langston  
Susan Lawson



Marcia Markey  
Suzanne Marten  
Gary McCallister  
Richard Means

Angie Miller  
Brenda Mitts  
Linda Mitts  
Sally Murray



Becky Neibert  
Denise Parkhurst  
Greg Parkhurst  
Mark Patrick





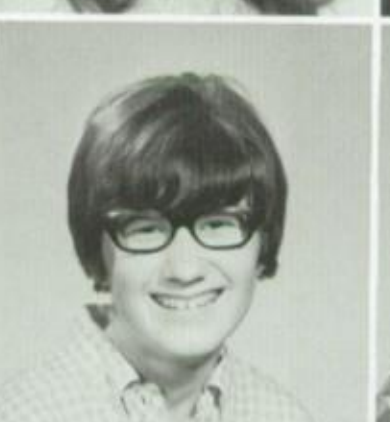
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Ken Ratliff  
Erma Rhodes  
Gary Richardson

John Richardson  
Vicki Rogers  
Joe Sandoval  
Sharon Satorius



Dave Schmidgall  
Mark Smith  
Debbie Snevely  
Barbara Stroisch

Gary Stroisch  
Janice Taylor  
John Thomas  
John Thresher



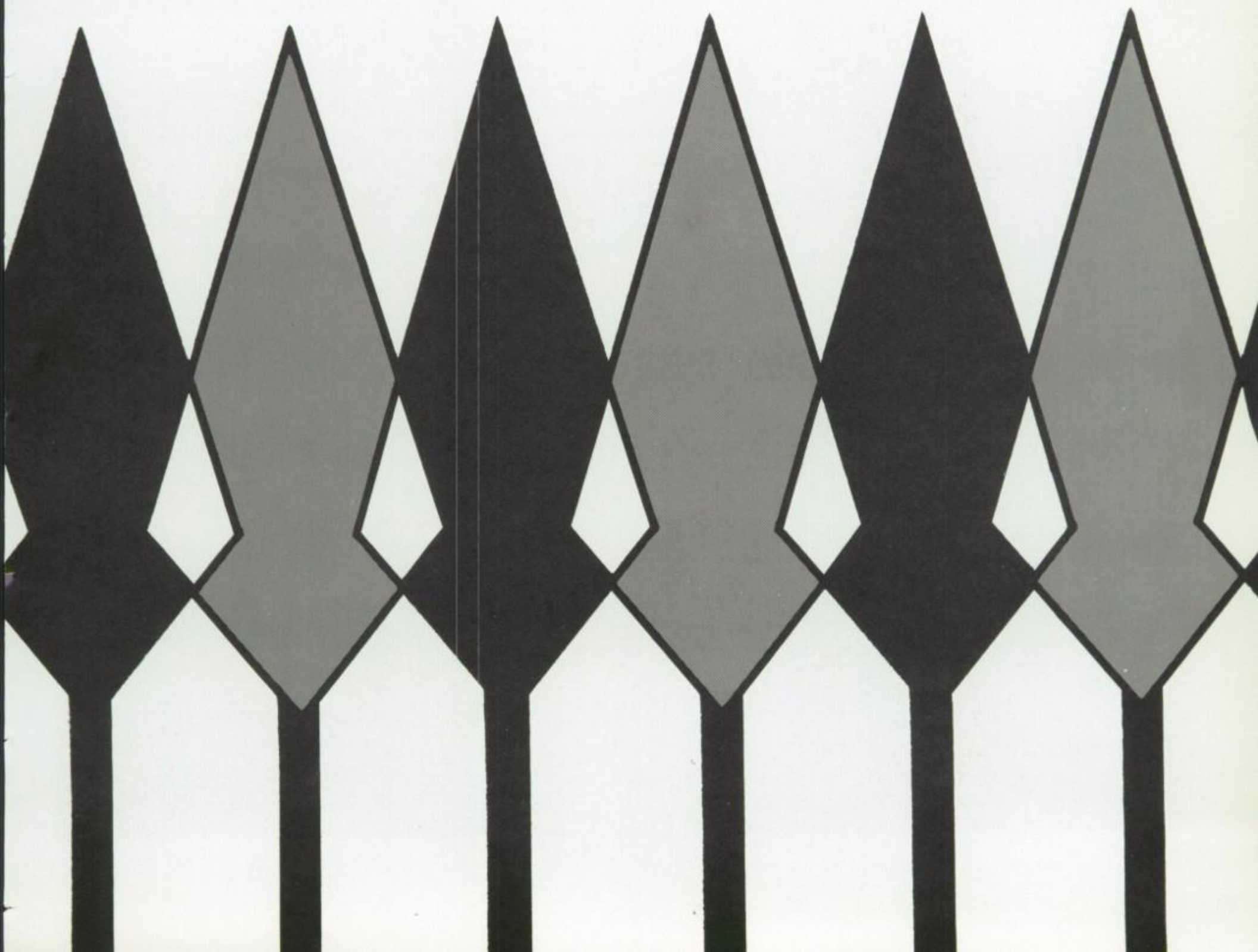
Dwight Todd  
Jim Turley  
Margaret Turley  
Debra Whitmore

Cheryl Williams  
Roger Withers  
Joyce Wooley  
Bob Zook





# Sports



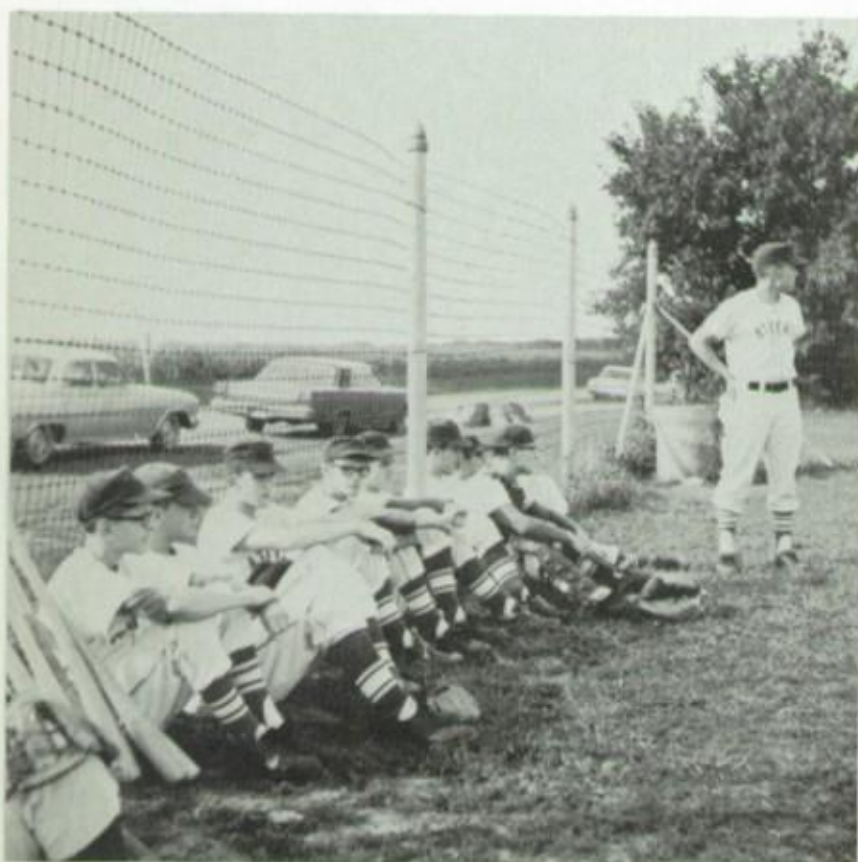




BACK ROW: Mr. Stuckey, Coach; Rex Primm, Mark Baugher, Mark Hopwood, Jerry Finch, Bob Henning, Dick Henning, Mark Irwin, Dennis Kemmerling, Manager. FRONT ROW: Harold Beard, Steve Mitts, Terry Miller, Pete Oglesby, Rod Coady.

## Baseball

The baseball team this year had 4 wins and 6 losses. The four victories were won by pitcher Mark Baugher. We lost 3 games that could have gone the other way with a hit at the right time. Leading hitters were Pete Oglesby with batting average of .333 and Dick Henning with .317. Steve Mitts was captain for the year, and Terry Miller was selected Most Valuable Player by his teammates.

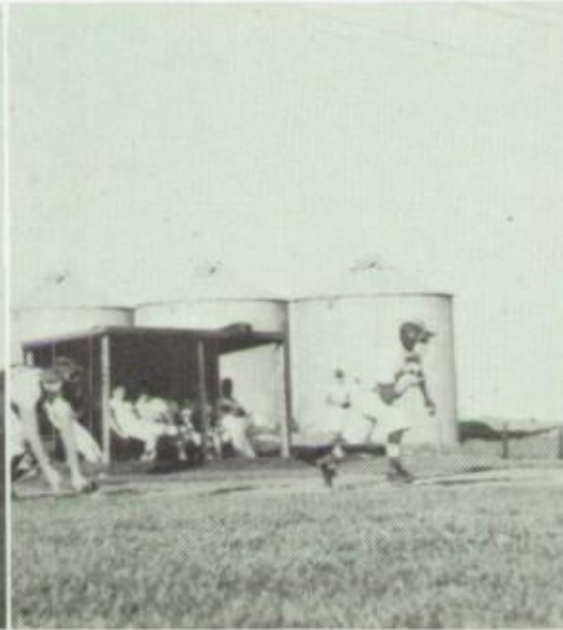
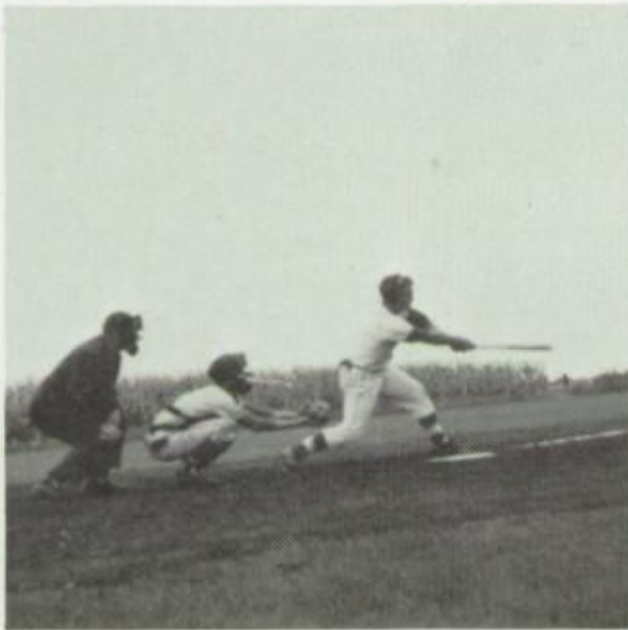
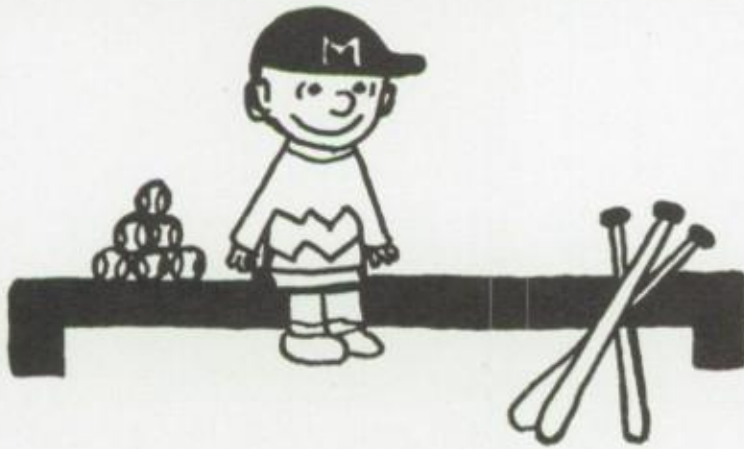
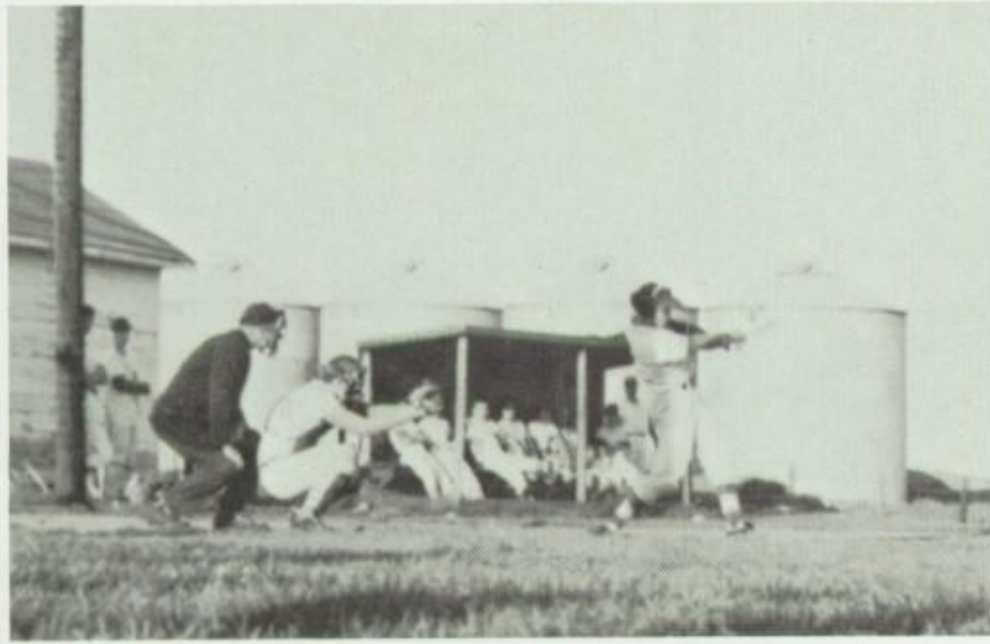
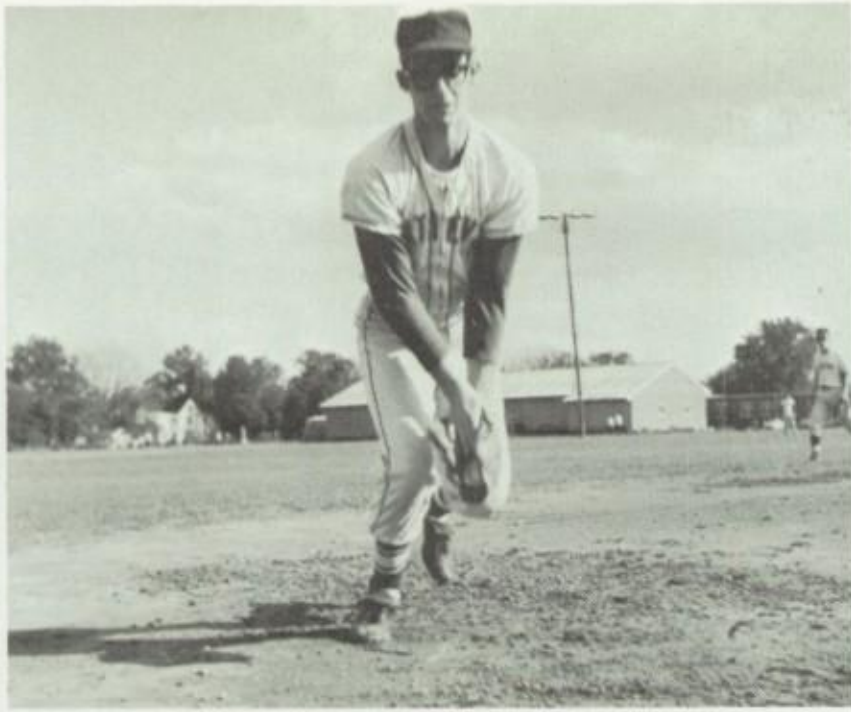


Sizing up the opponents



Strike three!







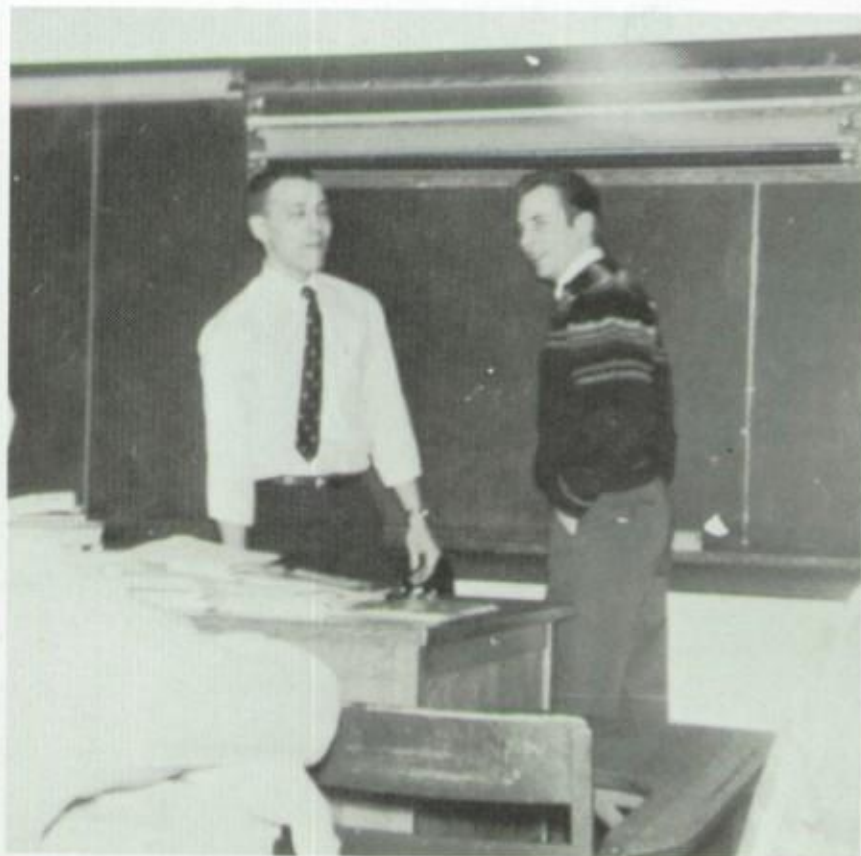
## '67-'68 Varsity



BACK ROW: Ken Crivea, Bob Henning, Curtis Kemmerling, Jeff Hopwood, Mark Baugher, Jerry Finch, Dick Henning, Coach Stuckey. FRONT ROW: Pete Oglesby, Bob Hackman, Larry Carter, Harold Beard, Steve Mitts.

## Basketball

The basketball team, even though having a losing season, was made up of a group of dedicated boys. With the experience some of the younger players gained, we should have a much better team next year.



"Who put the rusty tack in my chair!"



## '67-'68 Junior Varsity



BACK ROW: Mark Hopwood, Phil Frank, Jim Caldwell, Jim Finch, Mark Irwin, Steve Schmidgall, Steve Basso, Mr. Nation. FRONT ROW: Marvin Beard, Rex Primm, David Schmidgall, Rod Coady, Dave Sandoval.

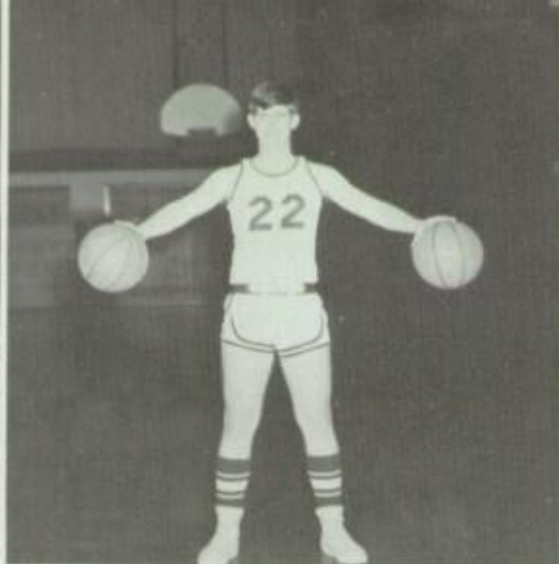


The Junior Varsity basketball team was made of freshmen and sophomore boys who have a hope of gaining enough skills to become varsity players. Their record was 5 and 15.

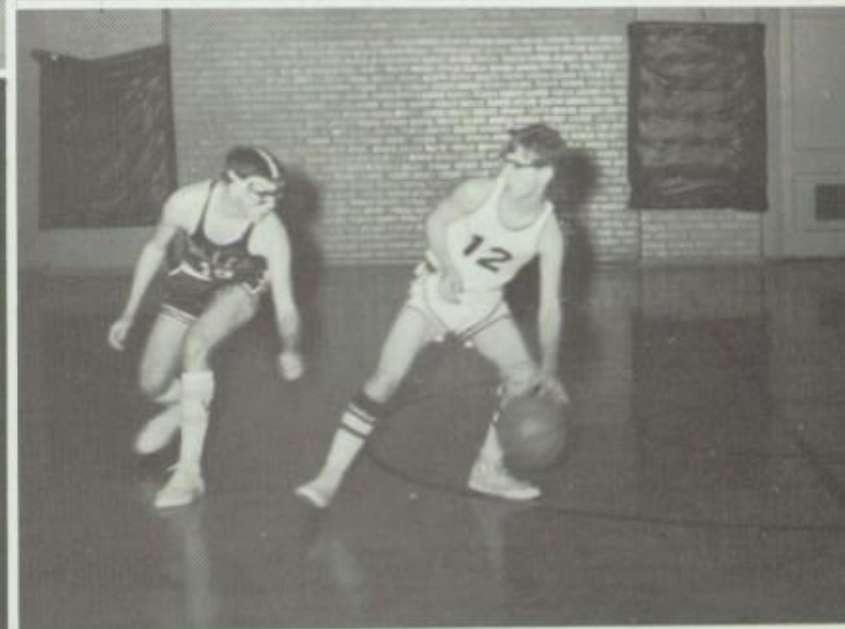
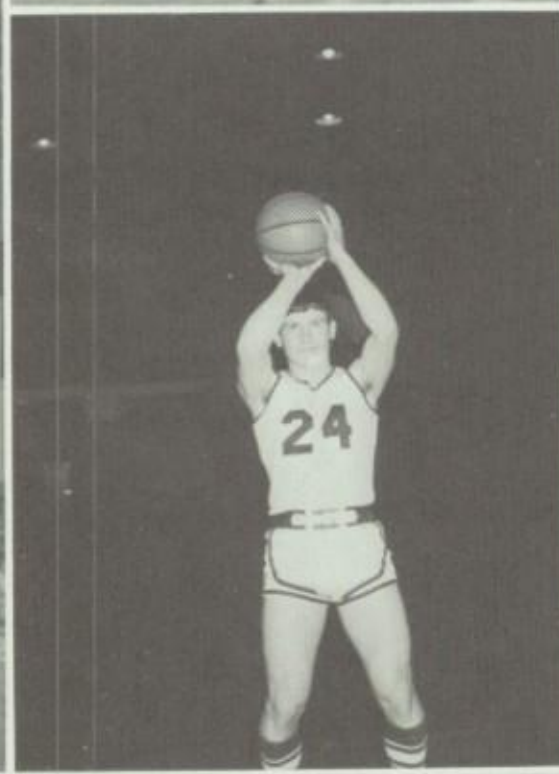
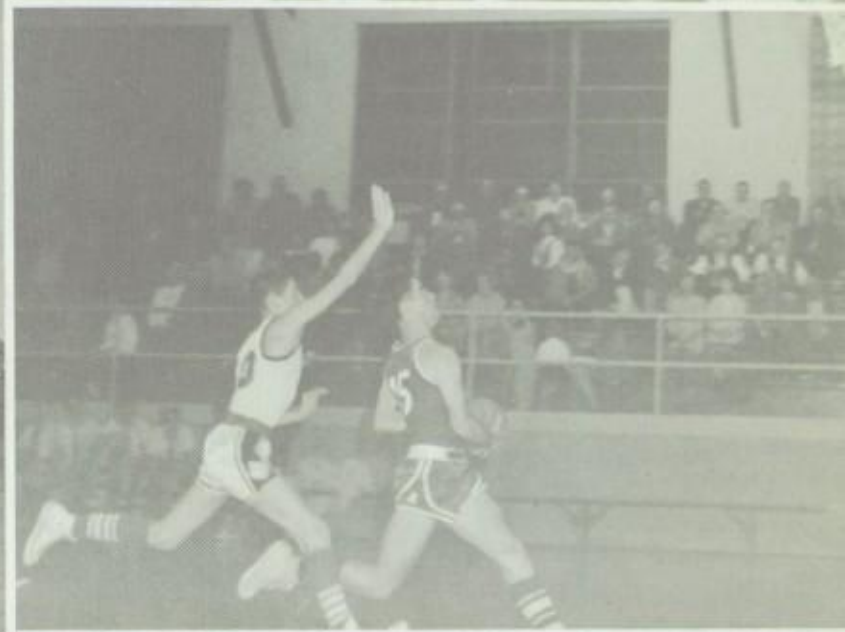


Managers: Dennis Kemmerling and Jim Oglesby









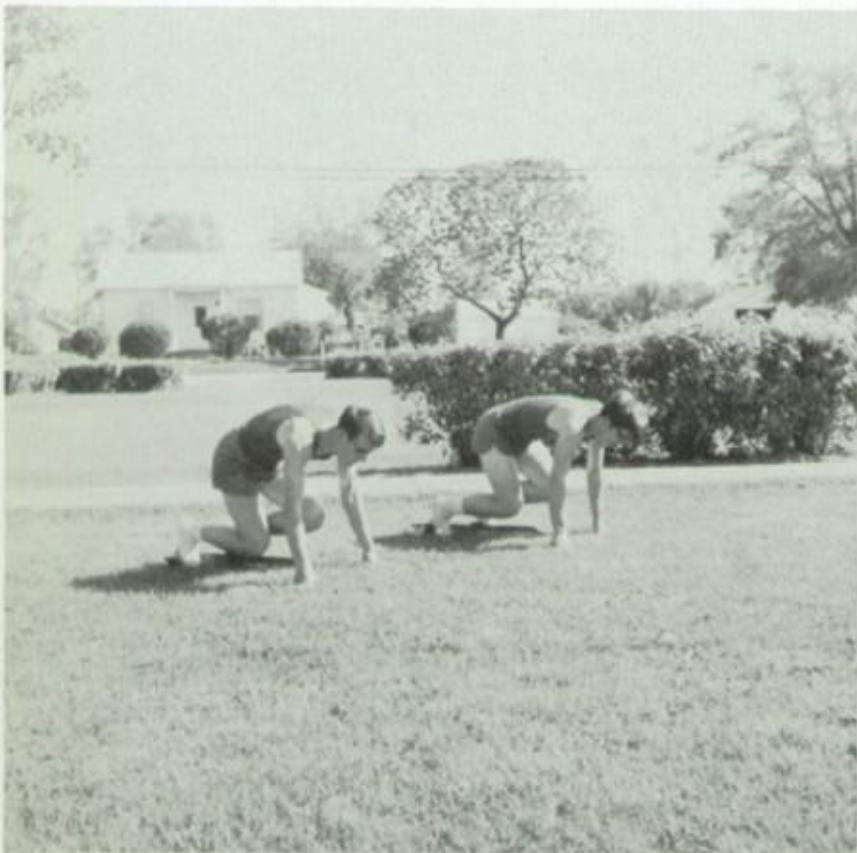




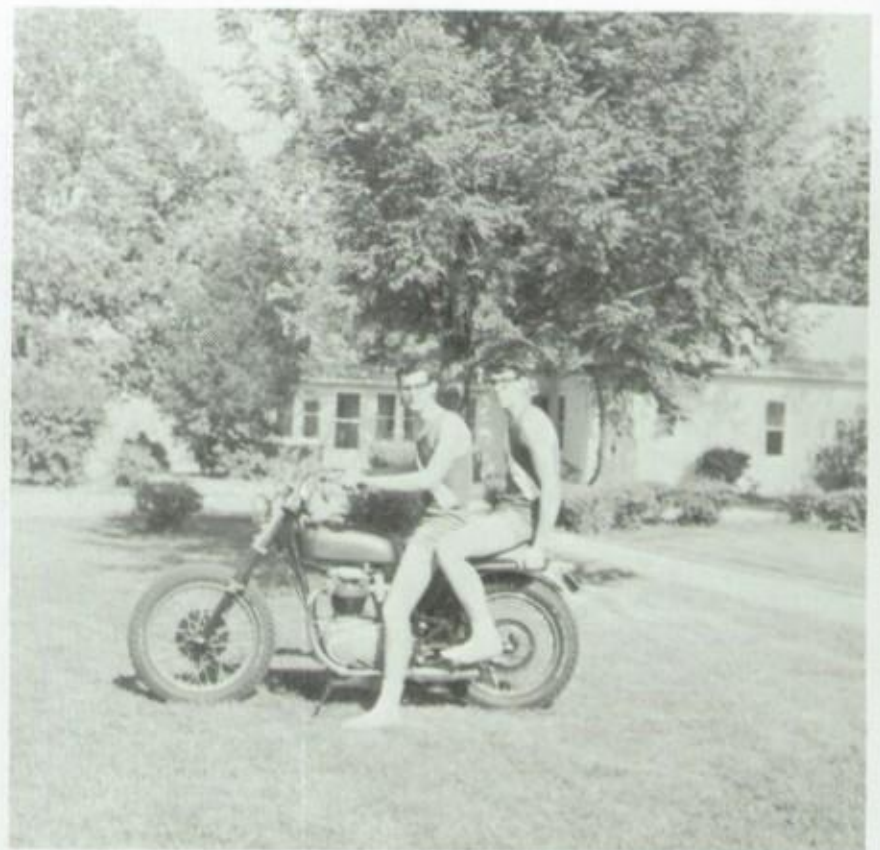
Dick Henning, Pete Oglesby, Terry Miller, Mark Irwin;  
Not Pictured-- Steve Basso, Bob Taylor, Don Schmidt.

## Track

A track team is a group of dedicated boys working towards a similar goal. This year's track team was no exception. Although few in number, they were full of spirit when it came to representing our school in a meet.

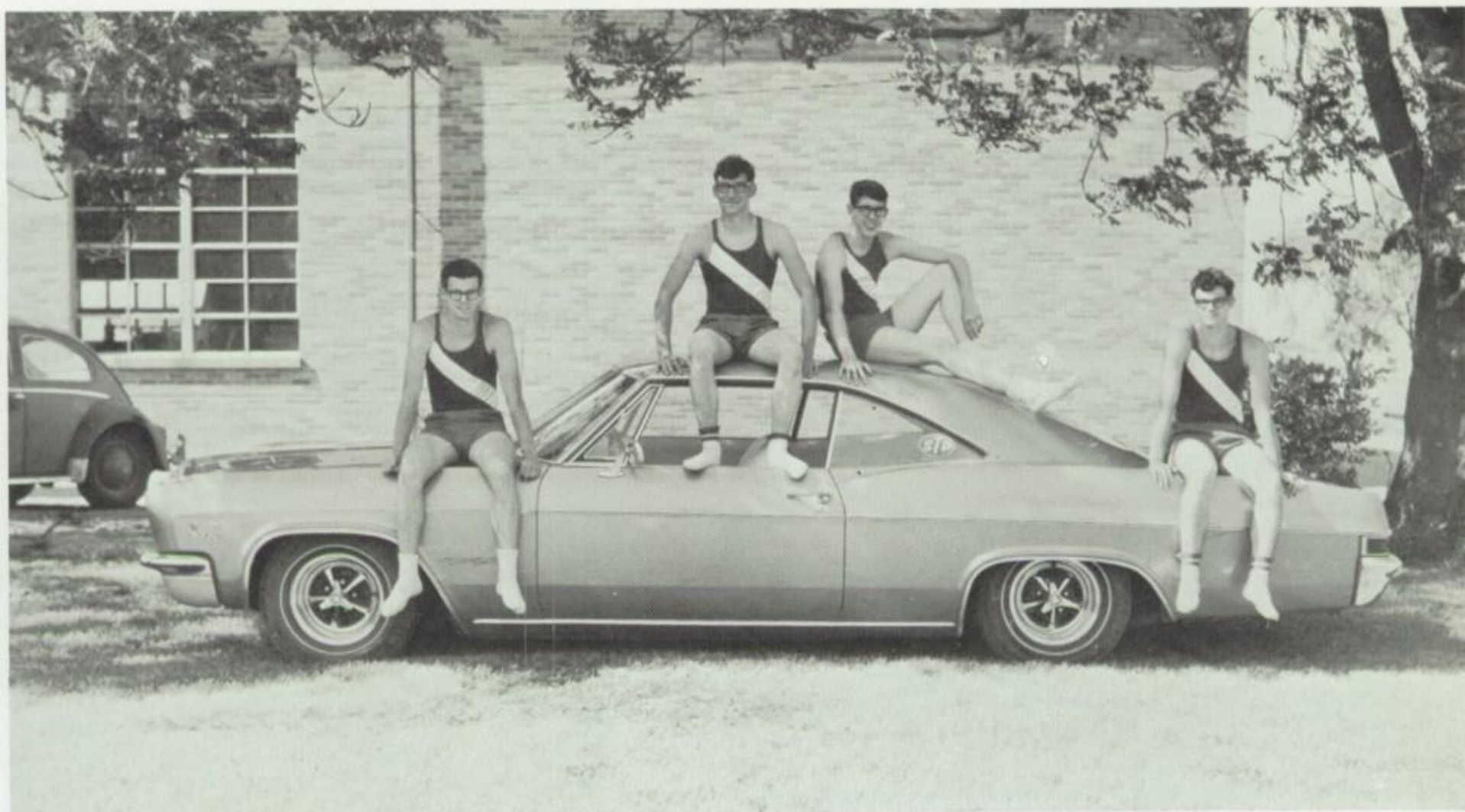


Sprinters: Terry Miller, Pete Oglesby.

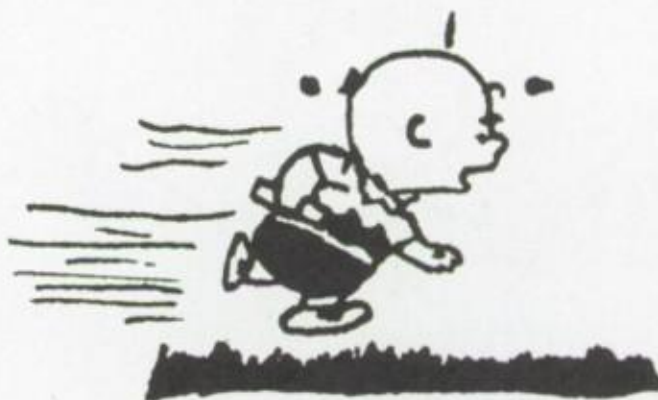


Distance: Dick Henning, Mark Irwin.





CROSS COUNTRY: Dick Henning, Phil Frank, Mark Irwin, Bob Henning.  
(Picture through courtesy of Mr. Nation.)



Shot: Steve Basso



High Jumper: Bob Taylor, 1st in Conference.



# Varsity



Pattie Wilcox



Sharon Showalter



Karla Engel





# Cheerleaders

Yea, Rah, Athens! This year the varsity cheerleaders attended a week-long clinic at Illinois State University. From camp they learned new techniques that they used for pep rallies, group cheers, pom-pom routines and crowd spirit. At the beginning of the year, they installed a coke machine to finance the purchase of their new uniforms. Coached by Miss Donna Taylor, they had a great year.



Judy Mitts



Sally Hills



## Junior



Mary Bell



## Cheerleaders

The Junior Varsity Cheerleaders were elected in the fall of 1967 and attended the fall Saturday cheerleading clinic at Illinois State University. They too were a great help on pep rallies and in keeping up the spirit of the J. V. team.



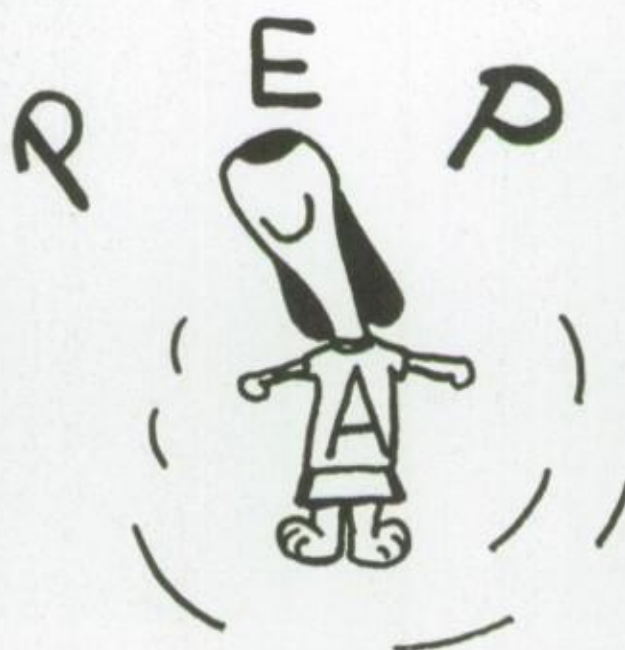
## Varsity



Marcia Markey



Marsha Davis



Cindy Henderson



# Snaps



Sock it to me!



Hey, sir, you got a light?



An Athens love-in



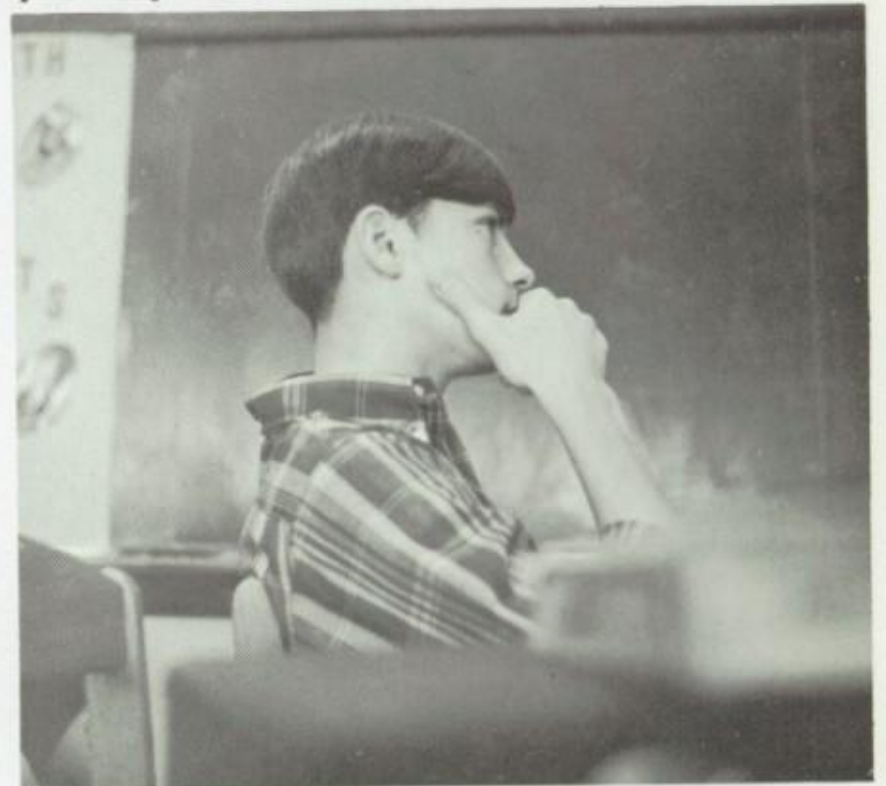
All right, who took my space ship?



A, C-, D-, . . . .



And inside each new locker is packed . . .



Shall I tell Mom or let Cindy do it?





Folgers gives 3% fewer cavities.



Thought for the day.



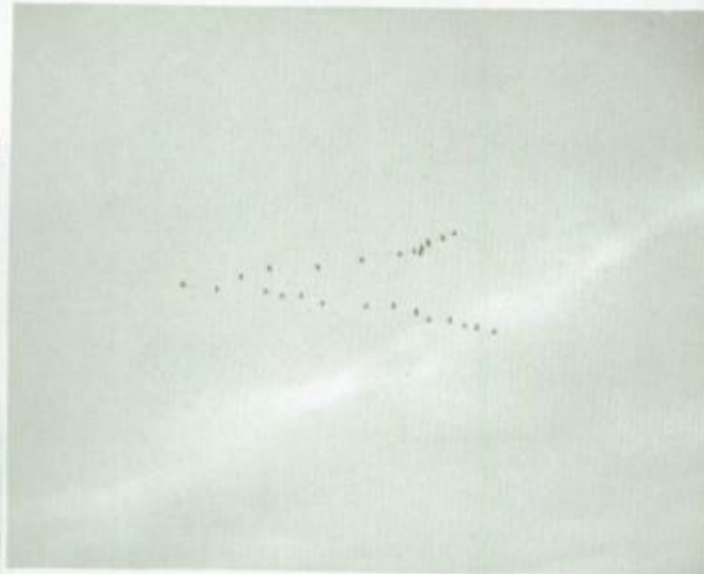
I told you he could dance.



Bonnie and who?



Do I have to walk out there in front of all those people?



NATURE



Gee, another gutter ball.





Spoils of war



I'll never give up my Tiny Tim picture.



Our future homemaker



Wait'll I get my hands on him.



We beat the pants off that team, but they gave us the slip.



Naughty, Naughty, Naughty.



Beware, freshmen! Future seniors are watching you.

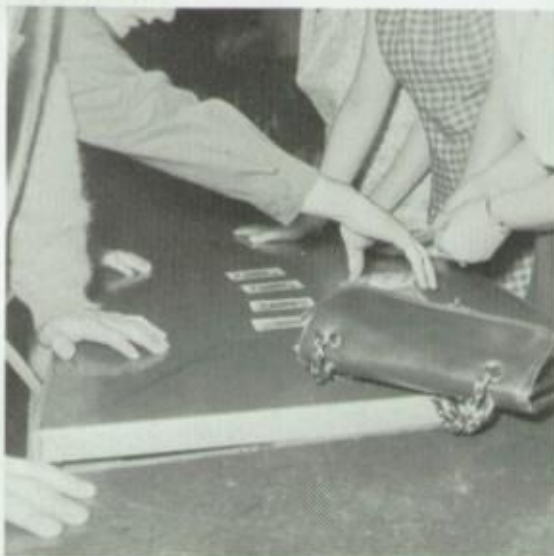




Did you lose the set out of your ring?



Did they lock you out of the lounge again?



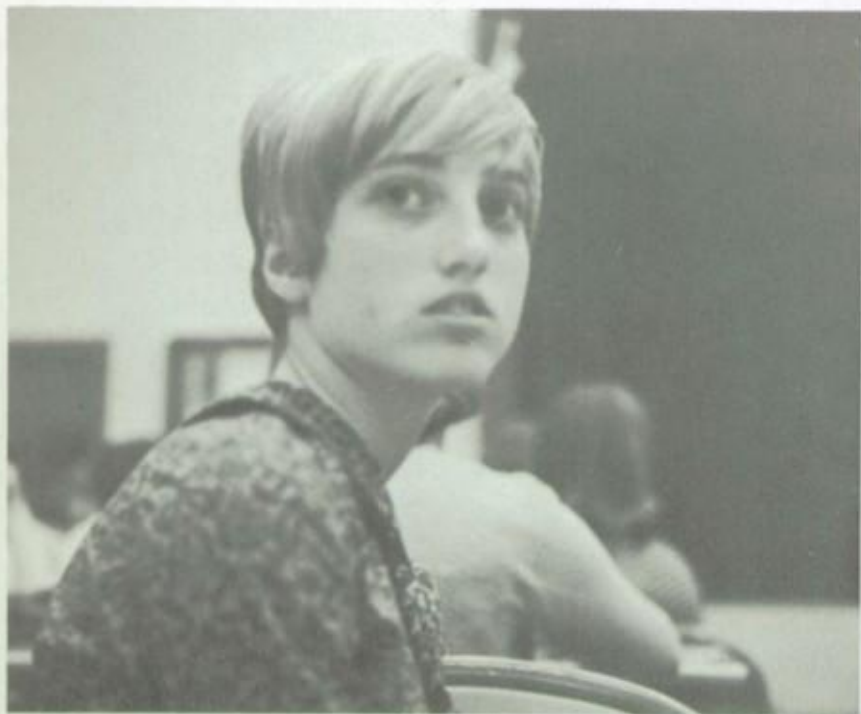
What?  
Cards at  
school?



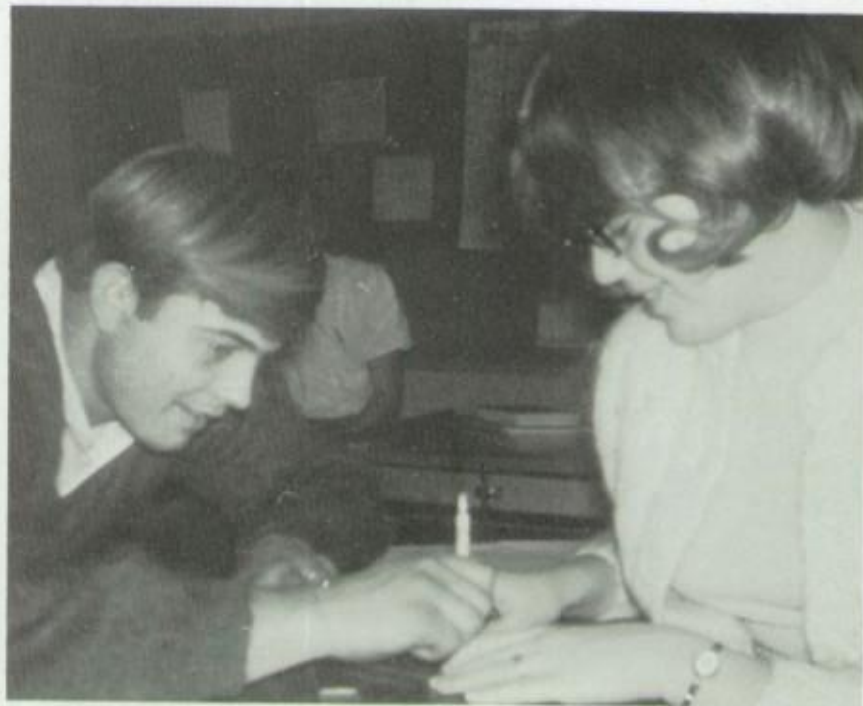
And now back to our sponsor.



Stealing popcorn  
again?



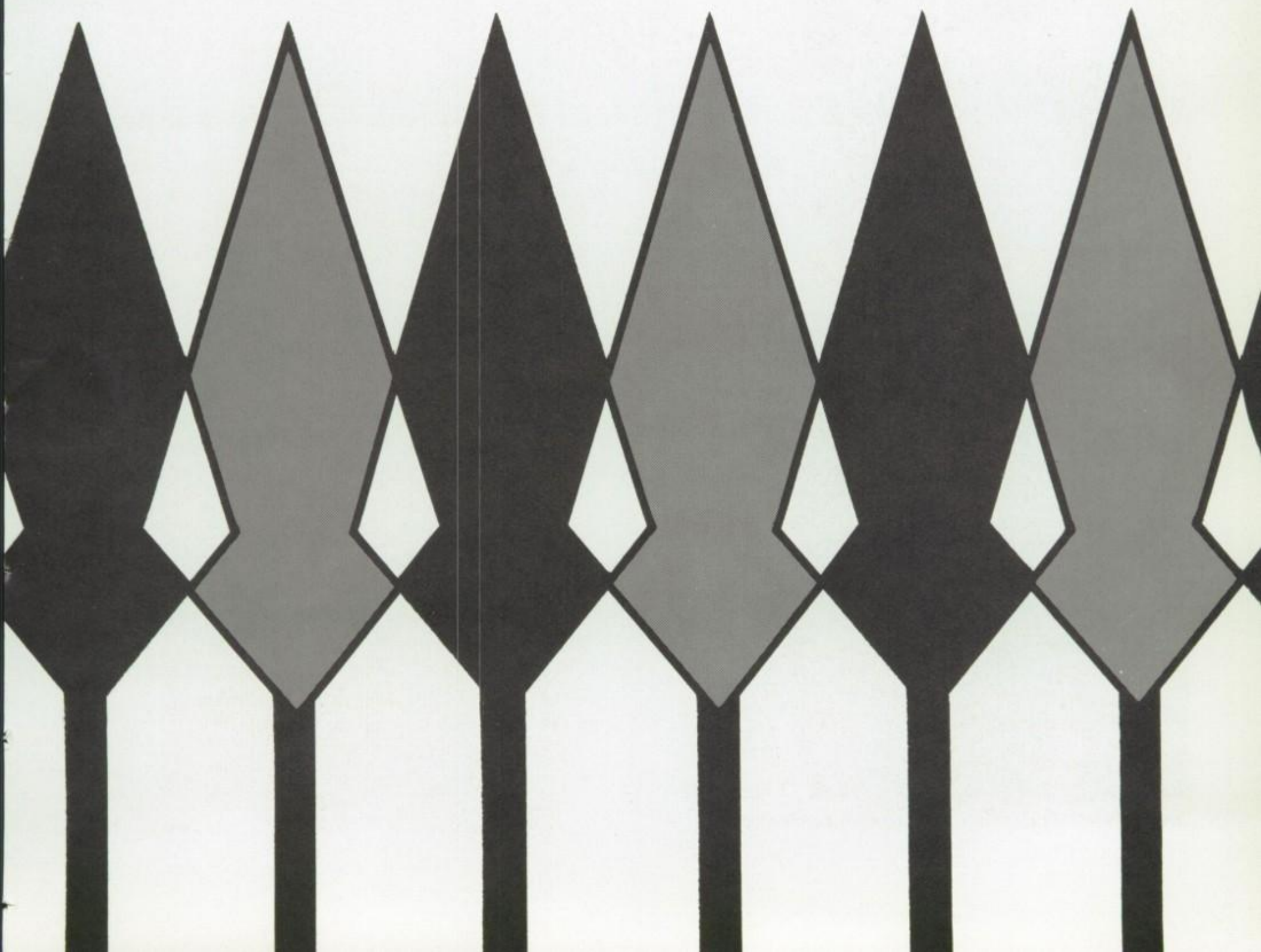
I asked you not to take my picture.



Show us what you're drawing.



# Activities







BACK ROW: Pat Bell, Marcia Markey, Wilma Bryant, Mary Bell, Sally Murray, Gail Showalter, Jim Oglesby, Mr. Jim Finch, Bob Zook, Polly Poynter, Arlene Stringfield, Dennis Kemper, Dave Schmidgall, Steve Council. THIRD Becky Neibert, Steve Mitts, Jerry Finch, Mike Whitmore, Connie Fulton, Brenda Mitts, Joyce Wooley, Gary McCal Gary Brown, Joe Sandoval, Brenda Ferguson, Marlene Beard, Nancy Blakley, Nancy Kincaid. FRONT ROW: Jeanne Cindy Henderson, Rita Jenson.



Steve Mitts, Pres.; Pete Oglesby, Vice-Pres.; Judy Mitts, S. Council; Sally Hills (not pictured), Sec. - Treas.

## Band

This year, Band, under the direction of Mr. Coventry, participated at a contest held at Macomb and returned with an excellent rating. During the school year the Band performed in two concerts, Spring Tasia and the Christmas concert. They also entertained the fans at home basketball games and marched in the Memorial Day parade.





Coventry. SECOND ROW: Marilyn Russell, Bob Henning, Pete Oglesby, Dick Henning, Sally Hills, Larry Ethel, ROW: Kevin Schmidt, Ron Canterbury, Susan Kemmerling, Stephanie Hughes, Don Schmidt, Marilyn Brookshier, lister. FOURTH ROW: Marsha Kemper, Amy Freeman, Nancy Shown, Marcy Kelly, Beth Backer, Rachel Jeffries, Trainor, Diane DeMars, Doris Maxwell, Sharon Satorius, Suzanne Marten, Angie Miller, Kathy Blakley, Judy Mitts,



Mr. Coventry





BACK ROW: Gary Stroisch, Gary Richardson, Rusty Daniels, John Richardson, Mark Patrick, Ricky Means, Joe Sandoval, Steve Basso, Dean Cronister, Ken Crivea, Doug Primm. THIRD ROW: Sheila Cantrall, Sandra Kiper, Mina Evans, Pattie Wilcox, John Thresher, Dwight Todd, Gary Brown. SECOND ROW: Barb Grant, Nancy Caldwell, Virginia Burris, Betty Walsh, Susan Walsh, Pam Hughes, Susan Lawson, Denise Parkhurst, Linda Cole, Janice Taylor, Ronda Caldwell, Dorothy Geary, Barb Ranney. FIRST ROW: Judy Geary, Cheryl Williams, Gail Showalter, Jeri Coady, Jerri Langston, Barbara Stroisch, Debbie Whitmore, Joyce Wooley, Karen Bryant, Marsha Davis, Kathy Lovell, Mr. Coventry. Sally Hills, accompanist.

## Chorus



Gary Brown, President; Steve Basso, Vice-President; Sally Hills, accompanist; Nancy Caldwell, S. Council; Kathy Lovell, Secretary.

The Athens High Chorus was quite large in number of students this year. Under the direction of Mr. Coventry, the Chorus participated in the Springtasia and the annual Christmas program.







Hurry with the camera! Our wagon train is leaving.



Band marching in Memorial Day services.



Band performing during the Christmas Concert.



Boys' Quartet



Majorettes: Pam Hughes, Virginia Burris, and Jerri Langston.



Chorus providing an entertaining program.





BACK ROW: Bob Zook, Dave Kemper, Jerry Finch, Doug Primm, Phil Frank, Byron Brown, Dean Cronister, Mark Hopwood. SECOND ROW: Ron Canterbury, Dennis Kemper, Ken Ratliff, Rex Primm, Rod Coady, John Ratliff, Steve Schmidgall. FRONT ROW: John Hamilton, Sentinel; Bill Fisher, Treasurer; Mark Baugher, Vice-President; Mr. Gardner, Advisor; Steve Mitts, President; Gary Rapp, Secretary; Gary Brown, Reporter.

## Future Farmers of America



Paint it 'psycho-what'?



Stay behind the curtain, sir. Your buckle will be done in a minute.



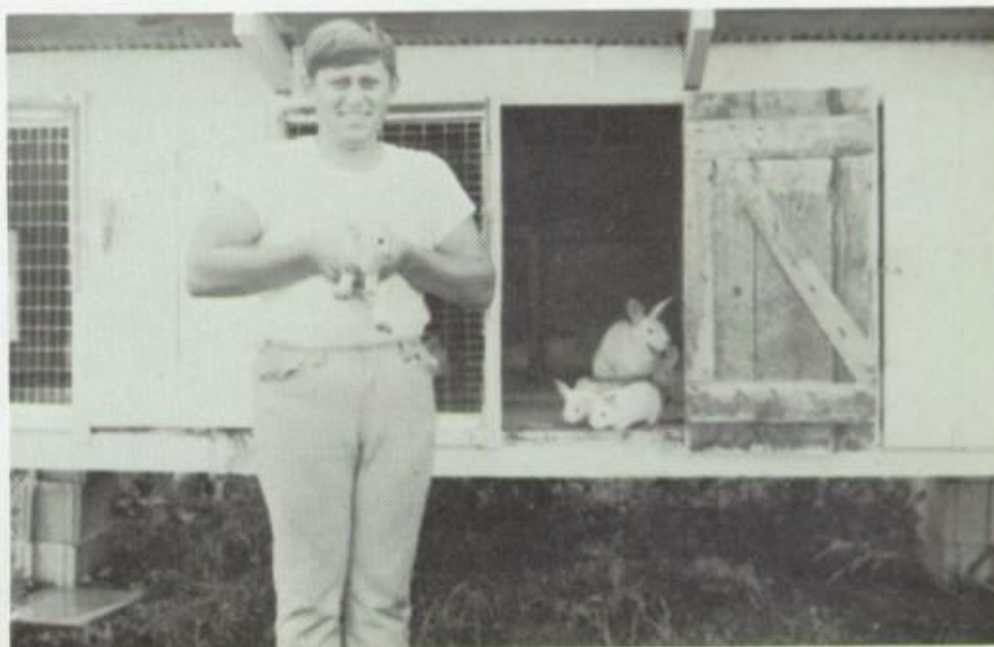
The Future Farmers of America is an organization that promotes interest and furthers knowledge in vocational agriculture. The members have various projects, take field trips, raise money for the organization, and participate in many farm-related activities.



F.F.A. Coffee and Doughnut Sales



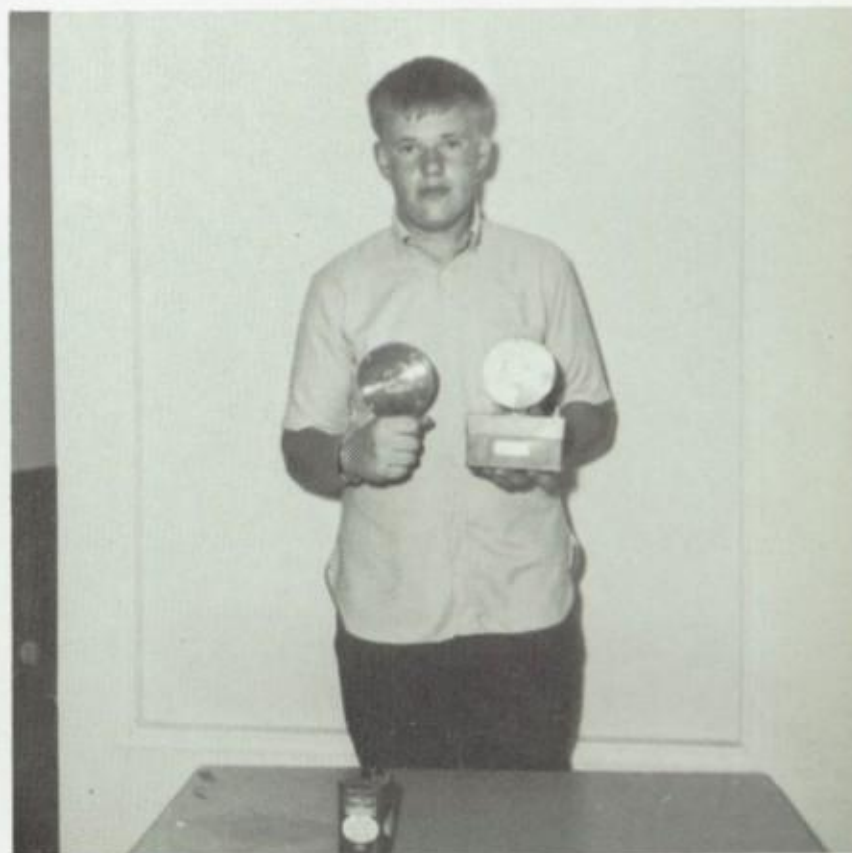
Byron with Betsy, his ag project



He thinks I'm his mother.



The new Vocational Agriculture truck



Brown disguised as traffic signal with F.F.A. emergency lights.





BACK ROW: Becky Neibert, Mary Bell, Marcia Markey, Karen Anderson, Kathy Blakley, Marsha Kemper, Karla Engel, Nancy Caldwell, Connie Fulton, Joann Shaheen, Linda Kern, Carol Hughes, Cindy Daniels. FOURTH ROW: Karen Bryant, Nancy Kincaid, Debbie Gerdes, Nancy Ratliff, Jody Thompson, Beth Backer, Nancy Blakley, Debbie Neibert, Gayle Freeman, Linda Soenksen, Barb Grant, Brenda Mitts. THIRD ROW: Sally Murray, Judy Geary, Suzanne Marten, Sheila Cantrall, Kathy Lovell, Vicki Rogers, Wilma Bryant, Virginia Burris, Linda Mitts, Eileen Shaheen, Angie Miller, Janice Taylor, Mrs. Fitch. SECOND ROW: Jeri Coady, Gail Showalter, Marsha Davis, Ronda Caldwell, Nancy Shown, Dorothy Geary, Marilyn Brookshier, Pat Bell, Sharon Satorius, Cindy Henderson, Polly Poynter, Sherry Davis. FRONT ROW: Judy Trainor, Melanie Vasconcelles, Amy Freeman, Arlene Stringfield, Cheryl Williams, Pam Hughes, Judy Mitts, Sharon Showalter, Debbie Snevely, Susan Lawson, Cheryl Hopkins.

## Future Homemakers of America



OFFICERS: Nancy Caldwell, Vice-Pres.; Cindy Henderson, Treas.; Cindy Daniels, Pres.; Dorothy Geary, Sec.; Mrs. Fitch, Advisor.



Ana Maria Garcia, an exchange student from Argentina, giving a talk on her South American customs.



Mrs. J. Kennedy Kincaid, Jr. presenting a program on the history of Athens.



The F.H.A. is one of the most active organizations in Athens High. Sponsoring style shows, banquets, and dances, along with such lively activities as the F.H.A. week and initiation, shows the initiative of these girls. They also participate in programs for the community's welfare, and are supporting an orphan in Korea.



Making Easter eggs for Sunny Acres.



F.H.A. appreciation supper



Thanksgiving basket



No secrets, girls.





BACK ROW: Ken Engel, Bob Hackman, Bob Henning, Parliamentarian; Gary Engel, Dick Henning, Historian. SECOND ROW: Nancy Caldwell, Sally Hills, Debbie Neibert, Carol Hughes, Cindy Daniels, Secretary-Treasurer; Kevin Schmidt (not pictured). SEATED: Terry Miller, Vice-President, Student Council Representative; Mrs. Dempsey, Advisor; Diane Irwin, President.

## Future Teachers of America



The Future Teachers of America is an organization of Juniors and Seniors who have maintained at least a "B" grade average. The purpose of the club is to promote interest in the teaching profession. This year the members participated in student teaching day and took a field trip to Lakeview High School in Decatur. Featured on these pages are some snapshots from student teaching and F.T.A. initiation.



Any last requests?





So you want to be teachers, huh?



Mr. Henning showing perfect form.



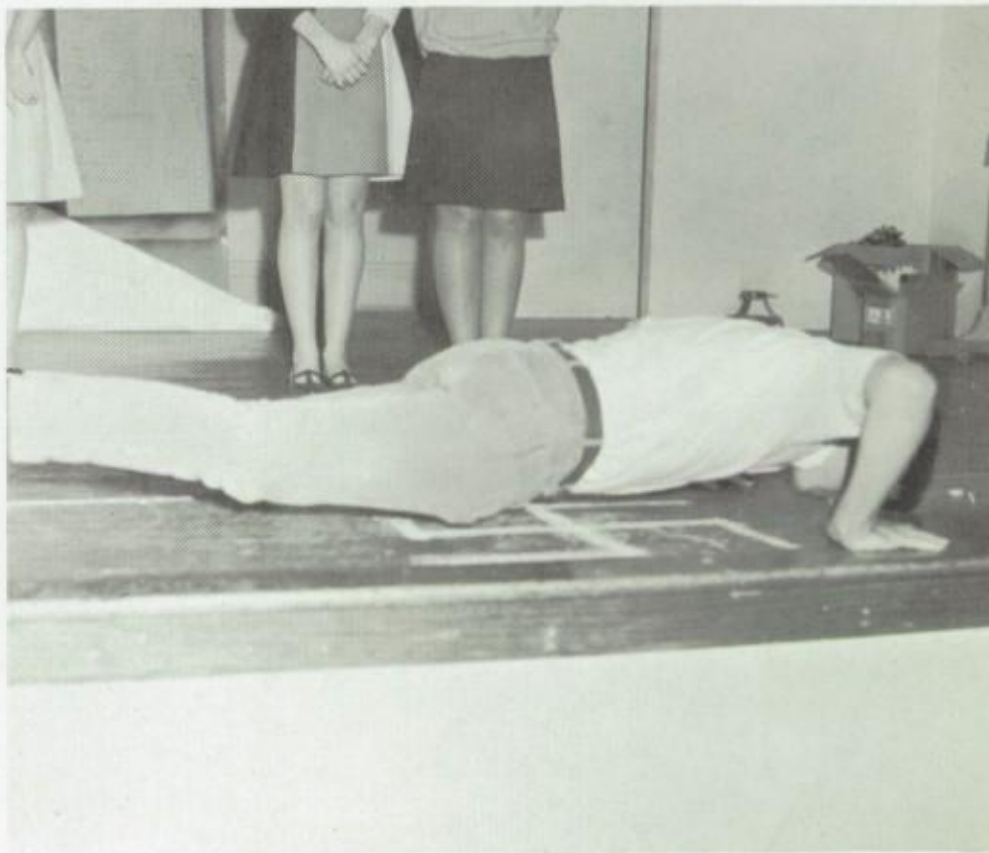
You will refrain from calling me "dum-dum".



Very interesting!



And where were you last night?



This is future teaching?





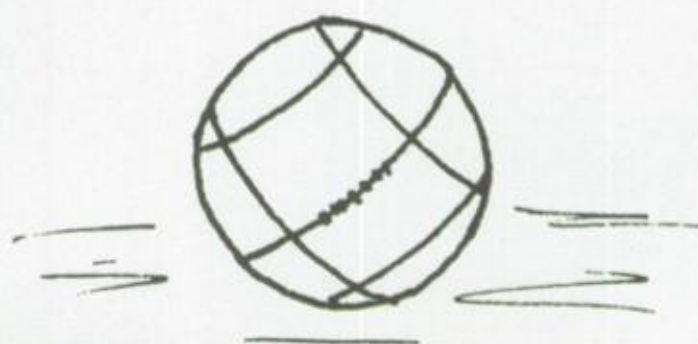
BACK ROW: Diane Irwin, Linda Kern, Carol Hughes, Lana Ethell, Cindy Daniels, Nancy Caldwell, Karla Engel, Doris Maxwell, Miss Taylor, Advisor. SECOND ROW: Dorothy Geary, Wilma Bryant, Susan Kemmerling, Marsha Davis, Linda Soenksen, Cindy Henderson, Susan Walsh. FIRST ROW: Melanie Vasconcelles, Amy Freeman, Betty Walsh, Pat Bell, Nancy Shown, Judy Mitts, Judy Geary.



Officers: Karla Engel, Pres.; Linda Soenksen, Treas.; Nancy Caldwell, Sec.; Diane Irwin, Vice-Pres.



Girls' basketball in action.





# Girls Athletic Association

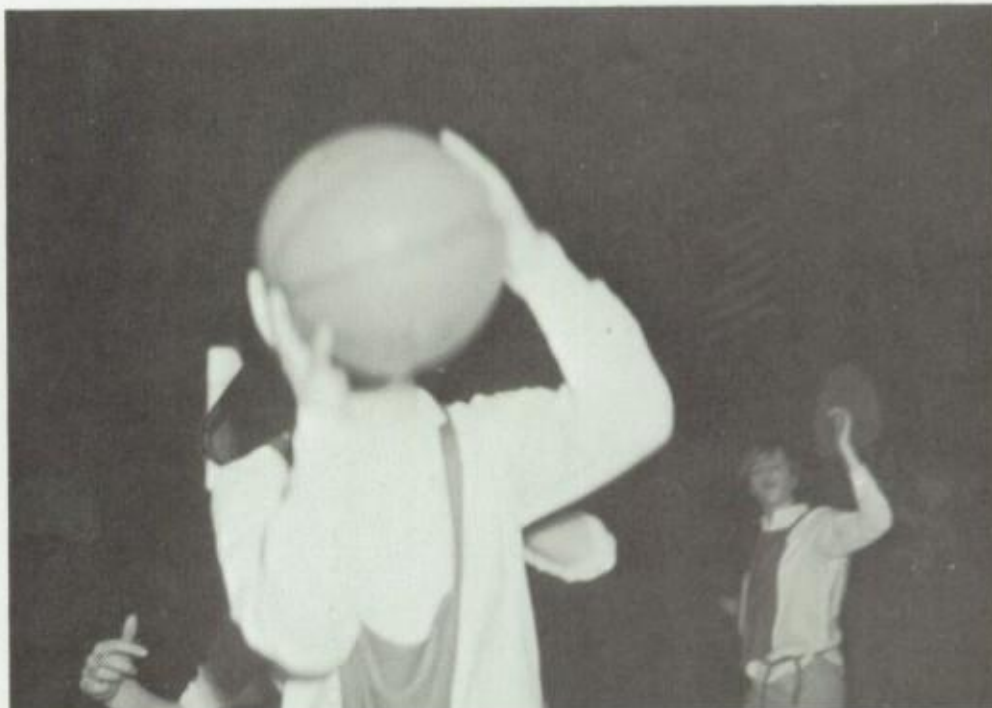
G.A.A. is an organization of sportsminded girls. The aims of the club are promoting interest and participation in girls' sports activities, developing desirable attitudes toward physical activity, and promoting good sportsmanship. This year the G.A.A. sponsored a soccer team and a basketball team, and held badminton and volleyball tournaments.



No, Sherry, you don't catch it!



Two from the corner



Basketball seems to be going to her head.



G.A.A. clean-up committee

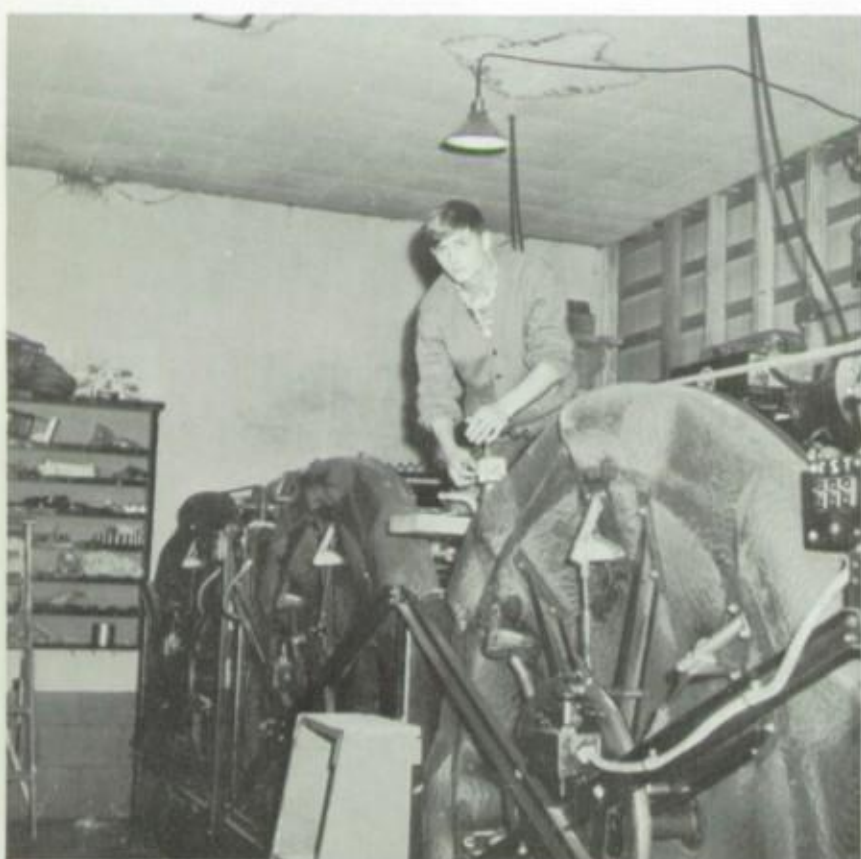




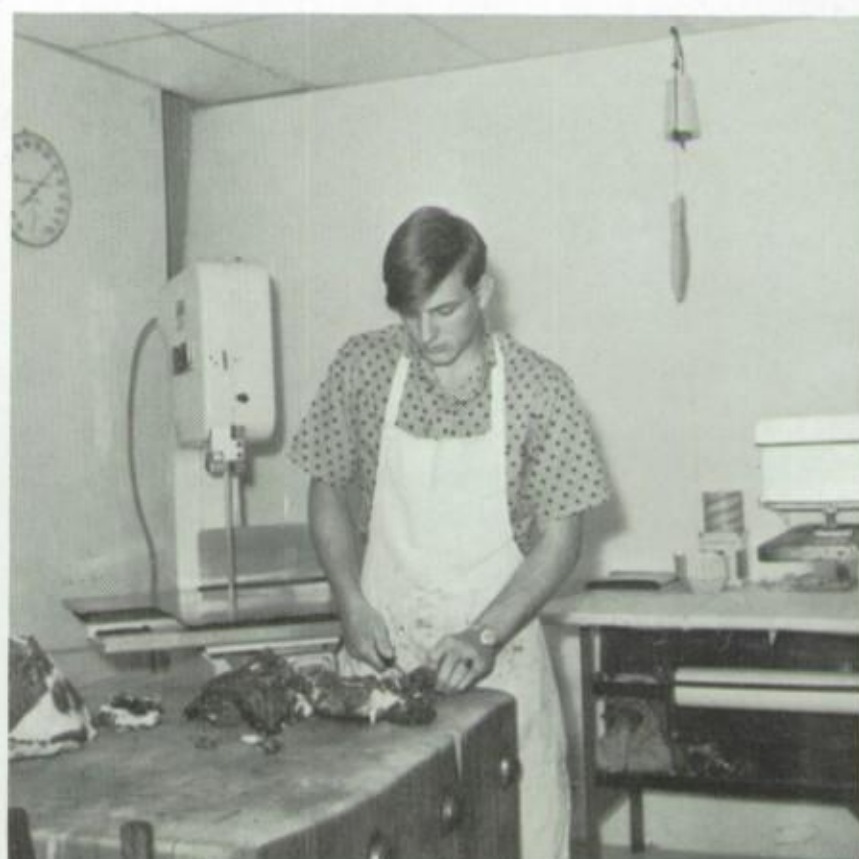


BACK ROW: Joann Shaheen, Gary Connor, Jim Russell, Cindy Daniels. THIRD ROW: David Glenn, Mike Bryant, Dwain Campbell. SECOND ROW: Jerry Westman, Chuck Bryant, John Turley. FIRST ROW: Judy Trainor, Sharon Showalter, Vicki Howard, Mr. Schmidt, Coordinator.

## Inter-Related



Dwain Campbell--Automatic pin-setter Mechanic, Abe Lincoln Bowl.



Gary Connor--Meat cutter, Freer's Market





Jerry Westman----Plumber, Derry Hardware, Petersburg

In the Inter-related Co-operative Program, students may attend school in the morning and gain valuable on-the-job experience toward their future careers in the afternoon. They are employed at various businesses in this area. Those not pictured are:

Chuck Bryant-----Diesel Mechanic, Doyle & Pottorf, Athens.

David Glenn----- Radio Technician, Thayer Two-Way Radio, Greenview.

Vicki Howard----- Nurse's Aide, Sunny Acres, Petersburg.



Jim Russell----Parts Salesman, Wilde Ford, Petersburg

Joann Shaheen-----Inhalation Therapist, Memorial Hospital, Springfield.

Sharon Showalter--- Teacher's Aide, Cantrall Grade School.

Judy Trainor----- Teacher's Aide, Indian Point Grade School.

John Turley-----Distribution Trainee, Menard Service Co., Petersburg.

The Inter-related members wish to thank all who have aided in making this program a success.



Cindy Daniels----Bookkeeper Trainee, Williamsville State Bank



Mike Bryant----Mechanic, George's Shell Station, Petersburg



# Librarians

Thanks once again to the loyal guardians of the printed word, the A.C.H.S. library has survived another year of academic activity! These student librarians performed a useful service in taking care of student demands for information. They have earned a real "Thank You" from the student body.



Melanie Vasconcelles, Barb Ranney, Carol Wethington, Betty Walsh, Claudette Gaston, Brenda Abeln



Librarian: Mr. Gaston



Dennis Kemmerling, Dorthy Geary, Diane Irwin, Lynn Sexton, Bob Hackman, Mark Irwin.



Larry Carter, Kevin Schmidt, Pete Oglesby, Gary Rapp, Carol Hughes, Cindy Daniels.





# National Honor Society

The National Honor Society consists of sophomores, juniors, and seniors who have maintained at least a B- grade average. Membership is based on leadership, character, citizenship, and scholarship. This year the graduate members were honored at a special assembly, and the new members were officially inducted into the organization.



TOP ROW: Mark Irwin, Bob Henning, Phil Frank. FOURTH ROW: Bob Hackman, Dave Sandoval, Dick Henning. THIRD ROW: Kevin Schmidt, Jean Eden, Steve Mitts. SECOND ROW: Sally Hills, Diane DeMars, Cindy Henderson. FIRST ROW: Judy Mitts, Arlene Stringfield, Brenda Abeln. Gary Engel and Mike Whitmore (not pictured)



New members being formally inducted before assembly.







BACK ROW: Miss Taylor, Sponsor; Chuck Sandoval, Ken Engel, Terry Miller, Cindy Daniels, Nancy Blakley, Susan Kemmerling, Judy Geary, Nancy Kincaid, Susan Lawson, Becky Neibert. SECOND ROW: John Turley, Suzanne Marten, Ronda Caldwell, Beth Backer, Eileen Shaheen, Nancy Shown, Amy Freeman, Wilma Bryant, Cindy Henderson, Pat Bell, Sally Murray. THIRD ROW: Dick Henning, Karla Engel, Sherry Hopkins; Mark Baugher, Vice-President; Bob Henning, Linda Kern, Dennis Kemmerling, Jody Thompson, Kathy Blakley, Karen Anderson; Diane Irwin, Secretary; Dorothy Geary. FRONT ROW: Marcia Markey, Mary Bell, Judy Mitts, Sharon Showalter, Jeri Coady, Barb Grant; Debbie Neibert, President; Nancy Caldwell, Patty Wilcox, Sally Hills, Linda Prohaska, Marsha Davis.

## Pep Club



You tell him to use Scope.



Here they come!





Cheering on our team.

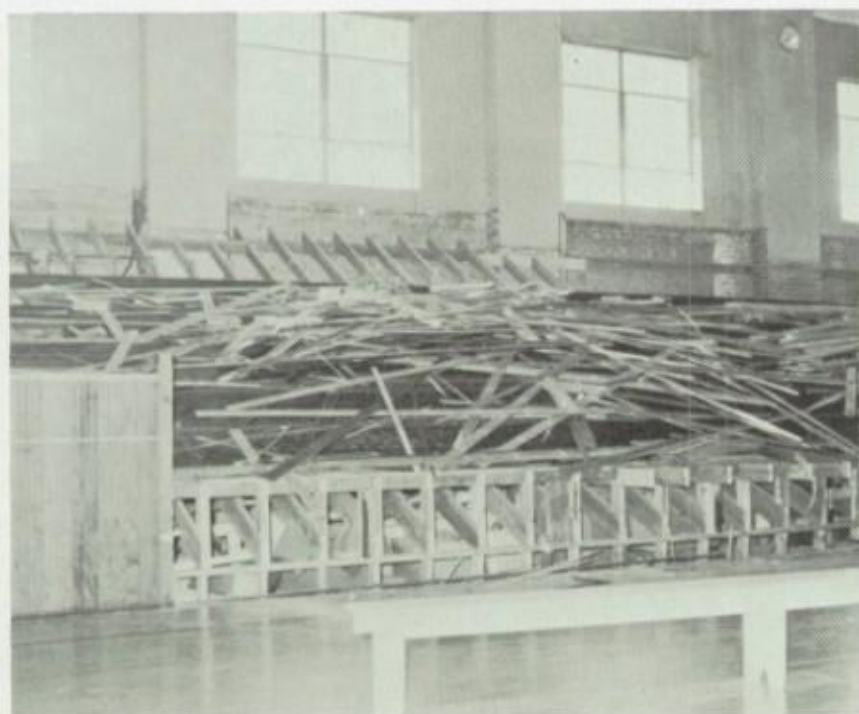
Pep Club is an organization comprised of students who are interested in providing school spirit. Members of the club support the basketball team and assist the cheerleaders. In this way, they promote good sportsmanship among the students.



Pep Club badge sales



There's always a woman at the other end of the line.



It was a close game



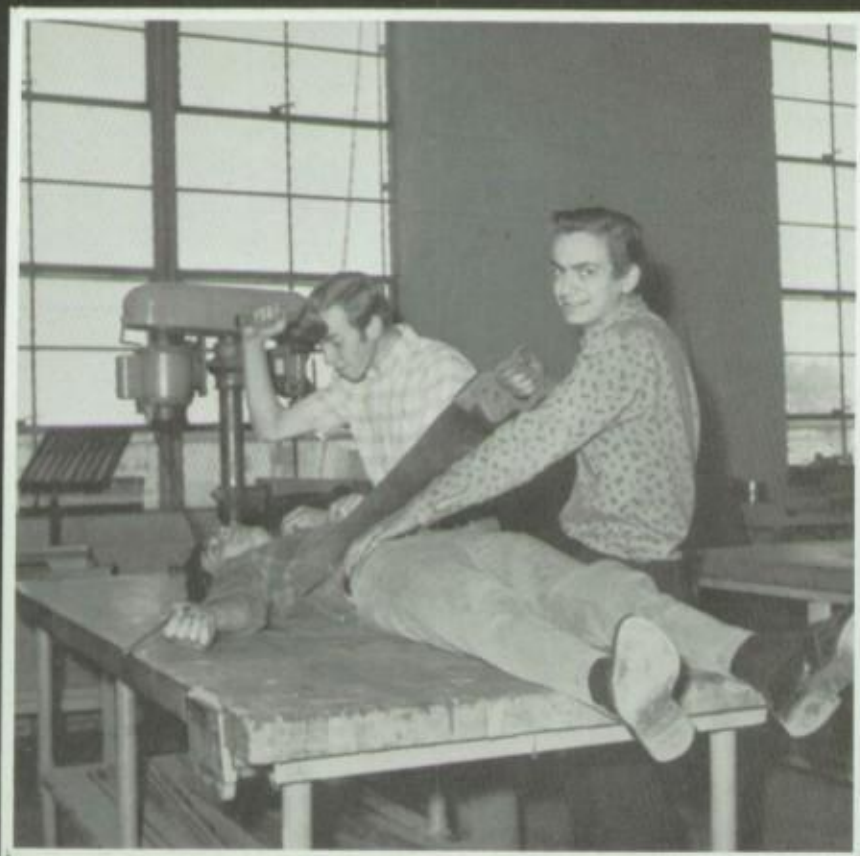
Steve Schmidgall; most beautiful baby.





BACK ROW: John Richardson, Gary Brown, Terry Miller, Jim Finch, Larry Ethell, Dave Welch, Gary McCallister.  
 FRONT ROW: Randy Wasilewski, Student Council Representative; Ken Crivea, Treasurer; Mr. Taylor, Advisor; Mike Parkhurst, President; Gary Rapp, Secretary; Joe Daniels, Vice-President.

## Technical Training

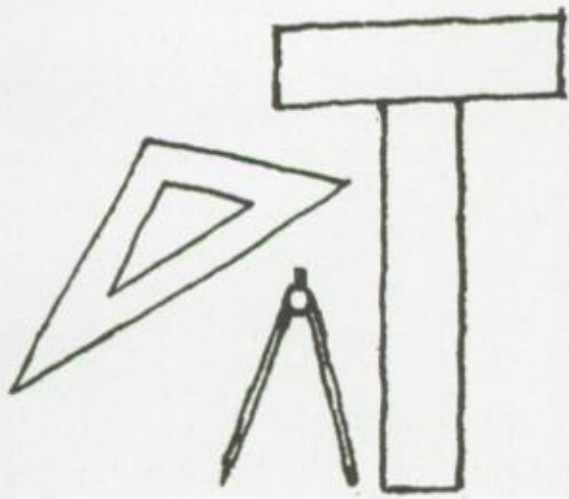
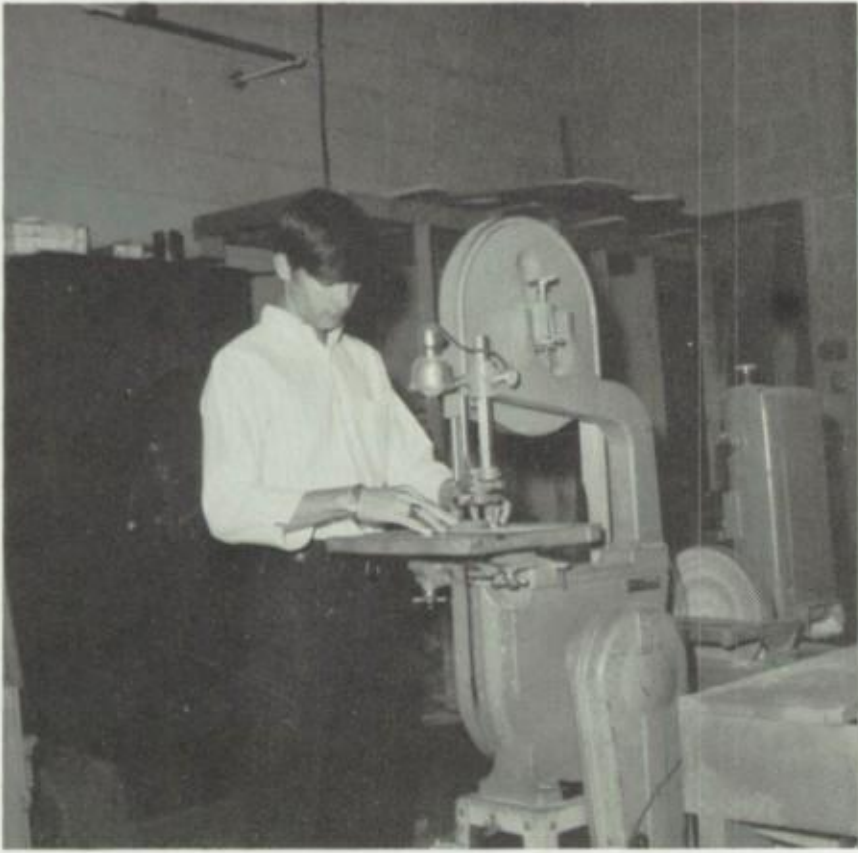


Black Barch's project

Technical Training is an organization composed of boys interested in promoting Industrial Arts. Through group projects and field trips they increase their knowledge of shop techniques.









# Athenian Staff

Once again, the Athenian Staff has worked diligently to present to the student body the best possible record of the 1967-68 school year. We appreciate all of the co-operation given us and hope that this book will continue to please you in the years to come.



Our Feagle-eyed Photographers: Carol Hughes, Editor; Dennis Kemmerling, Cindy Daniels, and Kevin Schmidt.



The Shrewd Lay-out Staff: Carol Hughes, Ken Engel, Editor; not pictured- Gary Engel, Sherry Hopkins, Pete Oglesby, and Nancy Caldwell.



Our Bedraggled Editor-in-chief, Don Schmidt, and Mr. Gaston, Advisor (not pictured). (It was a rough meeting.)





Talented Artists: Terry Miller, Diane Irwin, Editor; Claudette Gaston. Not pictured: Karen Anderson and Harold Beard.



Our Nomadic Writers: Diane Irwin, Bob Hackman, Gayle Freeman, and Sally Hills, Editor (not pictured).



The Bankrupt Business Staff: Mark Irwin. Not pictured- Steve Mitts, Editor; Nancy Caldwell, and Marcia Markey.







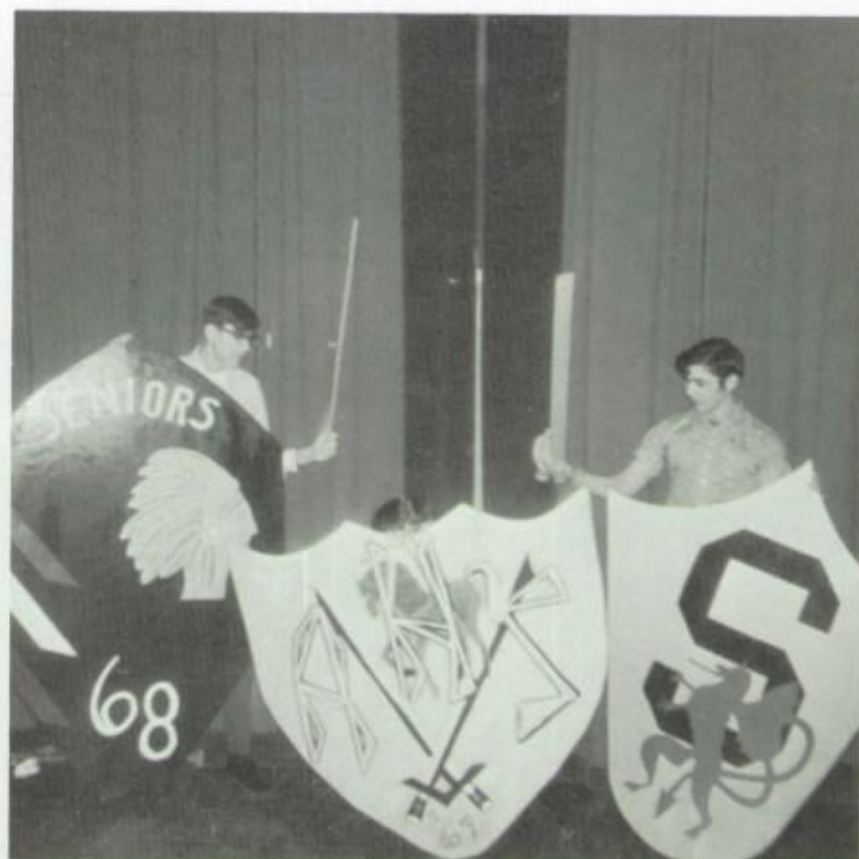
BACK ROW: Mark Irwin, Dean Cronister, Nancy Caldwell, Joe Danials, Eileen Shaheen, Nancy Kincaid. SECOND ROW: Terry Miller, Jeanne Trainor, Judy Mitts, Pat Bell, Susan Lawson. FRONT ROW: Mr. Nation, Advisor; Bob Henning, Treasurer; Ken Engel, President; Dick Henning, Vice President; Nancy Sanderfield, Secretary.



## Student Council



Our docile President.



I have not yet begun to fight!!





Attending Council convention at Princeton.



Rockin' with Rick Rabbit

The 1968 Student Council was very successful financially, sponsoring dances, sales, and the annual Halloween Party, Homecoming, and Student Council Presidential Election, they proved to be an integral part of the student body's activities.



The Hitch-Hikers



I'd walk a mile for a carmel.



Our future Council President: Jeanne Trainor.



# Junior Dance

On November 18, the Junior Class sponsored the first All-Conference Dance to be held at Athens High School. Music was furnished by the Raindeer Army from Springfield. The Juniors received many compliments on their financial success, and it is hoped that more activities of this nature will be planned next year.







Debbie Neibert

**Homecoming  
Queen**





The 1968 Athens Homecoming, sponsored by the Student Council on February 24, featured the theme, "Camelot." The formal presentation of the court and the coronation of the Queen, followed by dancing to Don Smith's Orchestra, made this a most successful Homecoming celebration.



1967 Queen Sharon Engel and Escort Mark Baugher

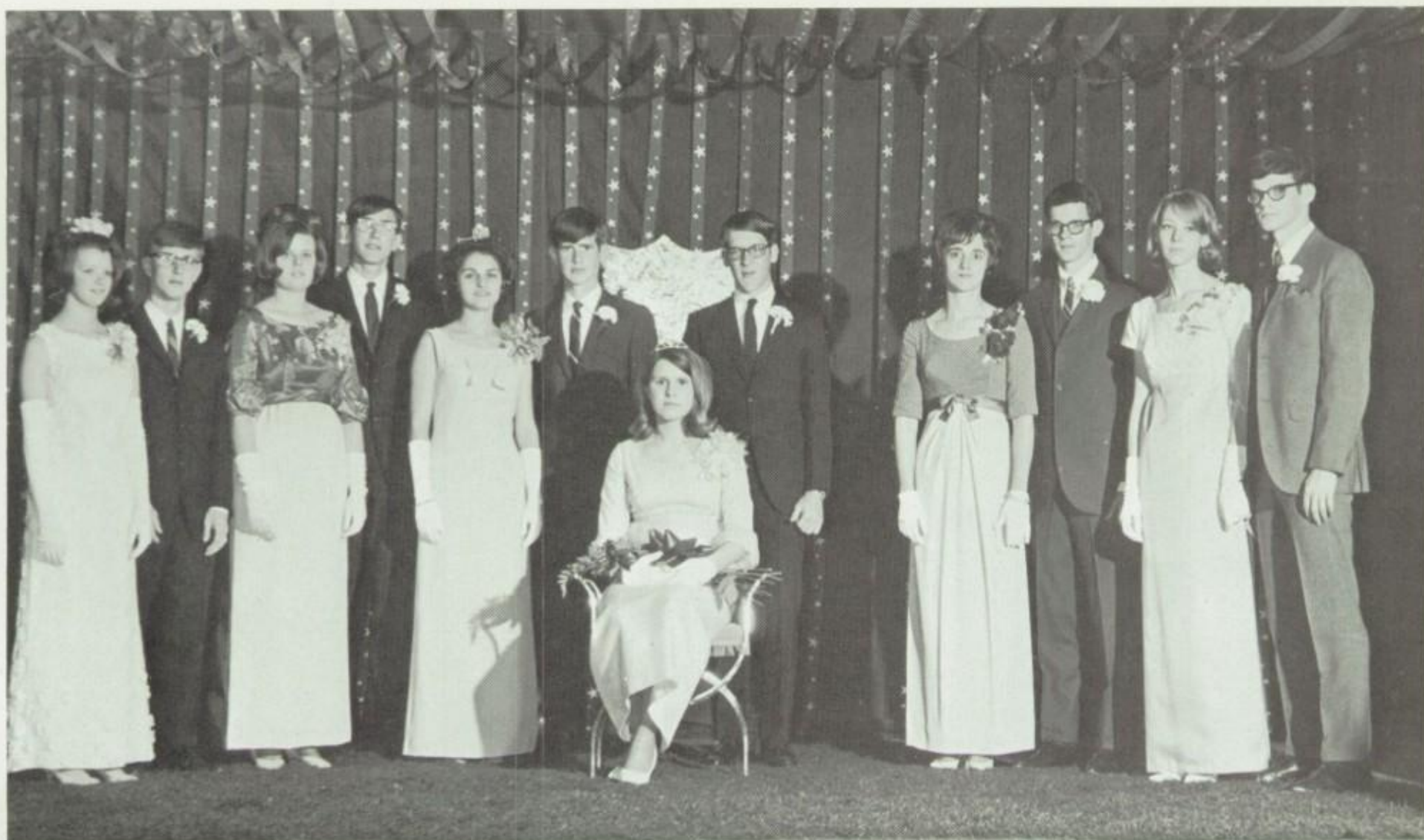


Attendant Sherry Hopkins and Escort Steve Mitts



Attendant Joanne Shaheen and Escort Gary Engel





## Homecoming: "Camelot"



Maid of Honor Karla Engel and  
Escort Dick Henning



Attendant Linda Kern and Escort Bob  
Henning



Queen Debbie Neibert and Escort  
Terry Miller



# Awards

May 23 was bonus day for many Athens High students. The Annual Awards Day presentations were made before the entire student body at a formal assembly. From the many awards that were given by the commercial, music, and athletic departments, and awards for school service and attendance, some of the more outstanding are pictured below.



McCall's Pattern Company awarded Karla Engel for her outstanding work in sewing. Her award was based on certain sewing requirements. The Betty Crocker Future Homemaker of Tomorrow award was presented to Diane Irwin. The award was determined by a nationwide test given to all senior girls.



Some of the recipients of the many pins and medals awarded to students in musical activities.



The award for the outstanding girl in Home Economics was presented to Sharon Showalter. The award is determined from classroom work and participation.

Along with the many athletic awards given Awards Day was the presentation of a letter to our varsity manager, Dennis Kemmerling. Dennis has served our teams faithfully for 4 years, giving much assistance and encouragement to the boys. We will certainly miss him in the years to come.





The Veterans of Foreign Wars sponsored a national speech contest centered on the theme, "Freedom's Challenge." Contestants wrote their own speeches and presented them before a judging committee. The winner at Athens was Pat Bell, advancing to the district contest where she placed second. She was honored for her achievement at a special assembly. There she gave her speech before the student body and was presented the second place trophy by Mr. James Lawson and Mr. Donald Bozarth, representatives of the V.F.W.



Cindy Daniels received a \$25 savings bond for an essay which she wrote for a contest sponsored by the Chicago Motor Club. The theme was "Driver's License... A Right or a Privilege".



The Bausch-Lomb Science award is presented each year to a student who shows high scholastic averages and intellectual promise in the field of science. This year the recipient was Don Schmidt.



The Future Farmers of America award was presented to Gary Brown. The award is based on citizenship, character, and outstanding work and co-operation in the field of agriculture.



# Senior Play



Isn't girl-talk boring, Bill?



You tell her, Steve.



I wish you'd introduce us.

"Shy Guy," a comedy by Paul S. McCoy, was presented on April 19, by the Senior class. The plot included a typical teen-aged boy in need of money who posed with a model for a cosmetics advertisement. He tried desperately to keep his parents and friends from knowing. However, matters were complicated when the model, her agent, a television producer, a mysterious bill collector, and an eighty-year old, football-playing spinster all entered the scene. The play was a laugh-filled experience, both for the audience and the cast.

FRED HASTINGS ----- BILL FISHER

CORA HASTINGS ----- RITA JENSEN

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NANCY GRAHAM ----- SHERRY HOPKINS

LARRY MADISON ----- STEVE MITTS

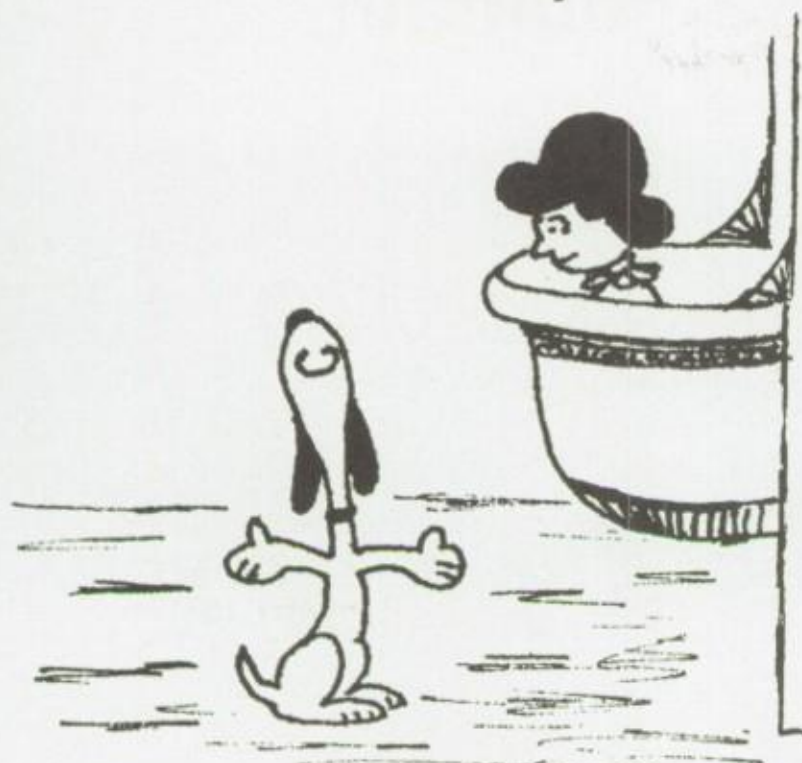
JULIE TUCKER ----- SHARON SHOWALTER



40-50-Hike!



# "Shy Guy"



GLORIA PATTERSON----- LANA ETHELL  
 MELINDA WHIPPLE----- CINDY DANIELS  
 LOIS CORWIN----- DIANE IRWIN  
 MR. DANBURY----- JERRY FINCH  
 BILL STERLING----- LARRY CARTER  
 ICHABOD----- CHING TOY SHOWALTER



He does look a little retarded.



Don't raise your voice at me, Rita!



Someone sure socked it to you!



One happy family.



# Junior-Senior Prom "Three Coins in a Fountain"



STANDING: Junior Attendant, Gayle Freeman; Escort, Joe Danials; Senior Attendant, Karla Engel; Escort, Bob Henning; Junior Honor Attendant, Kathy Lovell; Escort, Pete Oglesby; Senior Attendant, Sharon Showalter; Escort, Gary Engel; Junior Attendant, Jeanne Trainor; Escort, Bob Hackman. SEATED: KING, Steve Mitts; QUEEN, Judy Trainor.



King Steve Mitts and Queen Judy Trainor

"Three Coins In A Fountain" was the theme of the annual Junior-Senior Prom, held at the Washington Park Pavilion. After a beautiful banquet provided by the Juniors, a dance was held. Queen, Judy Trainor and King, Steve Mitts reigned over the Prom.









# Speech Class



Evaluating the candidates.



Muscle???

This year's speech class, under the direction of Mr. Brady, had an experience-filled year. They studied the history of speech, plays by Shakespeare, did interpretations of characters from Shakespeare's plays, performed a one-act play before the student body, and wrote and produced their own play based on the novel, The Bridge of San Luis Rey. They topped their speech activities with a real poster-packed, table-thumping, "mock" Democratic election.



And if elected.....



Mary had a-a-a



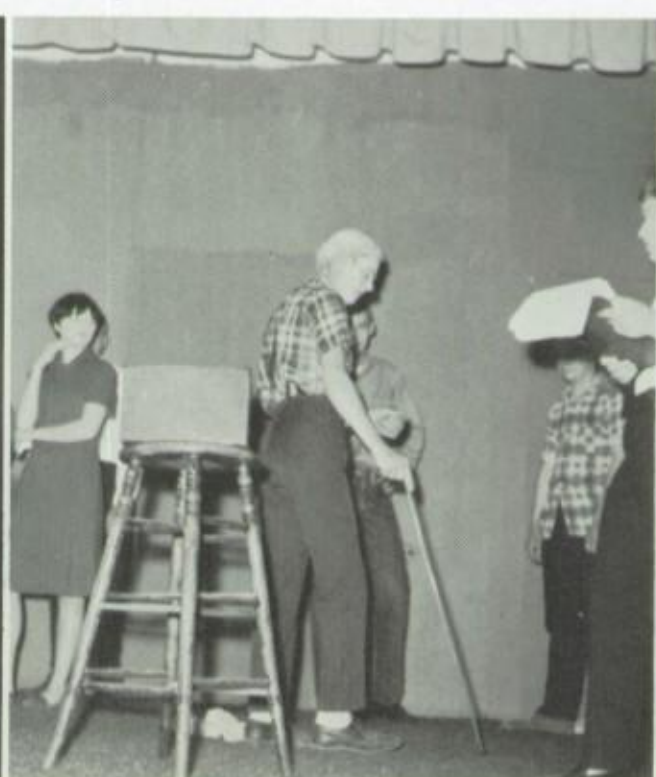
And you left me... defenseless.



Four score and.....



Gee, what a boring story!



And grasping my putter thusly...





Let me see... this is my right hand, this is my left...



Right this way.



I get the leftovers!



What a little Hidden Magic can do!

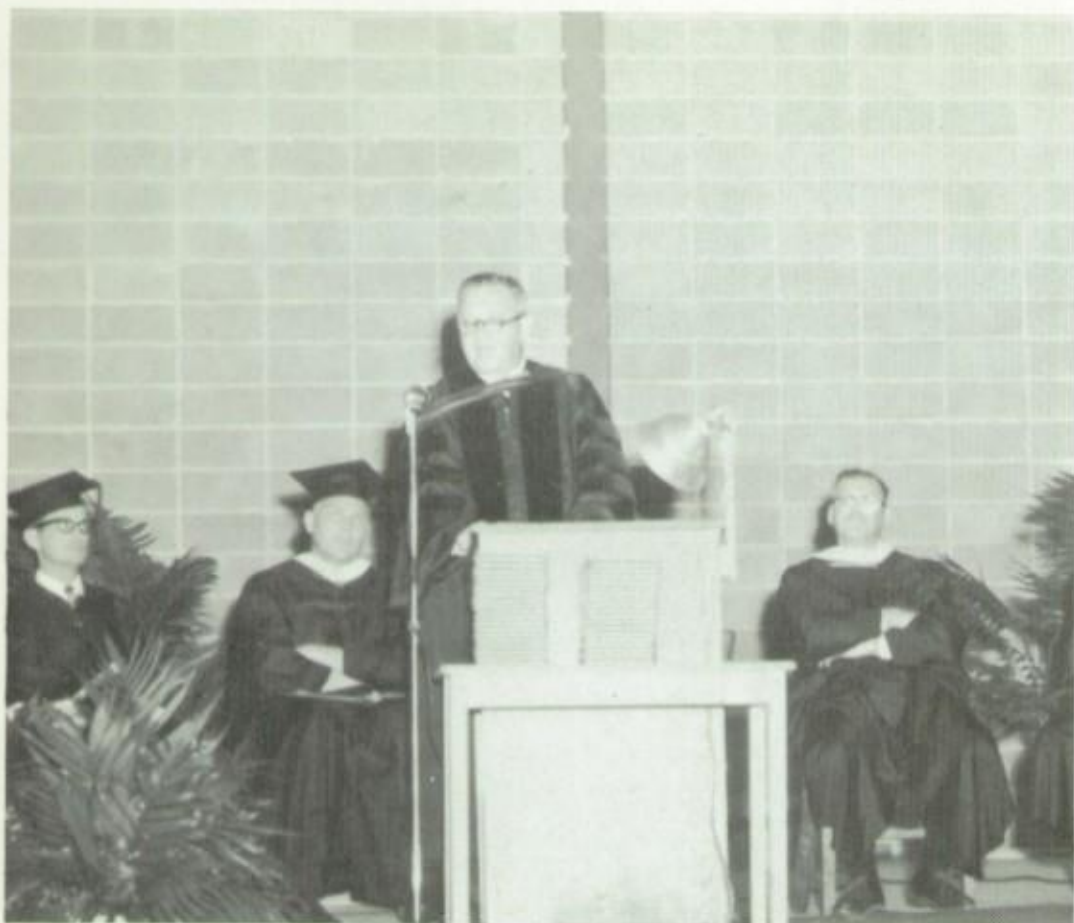
He thinks he's holding up the world!

Did she burn the popcorn?





# Graduation



Mr. Vincent T. Wasilewski, President of NAB

Athens High School celebrated its 50th anniversary this year. Graduation was held on May 29, 1968, in the new gym. The 42 graduates and an audience of approximately 1000 people were addressed by Dr. Vincent T. Wasilewski, President of the National Association of Broadcasters, and former Athens graduate.



DAR Winners: Diane Irwin, and Gary Rapp with Mrs. Kincaid, DAR Representative.



American Legion Winners: Cindy Daniels and Steve Mitts with Mr. McCorkle, Representative.



Rotary Scholarship Winner: Diane Irwin and Mr. Lott, Representative.



Class President: Gary Engel



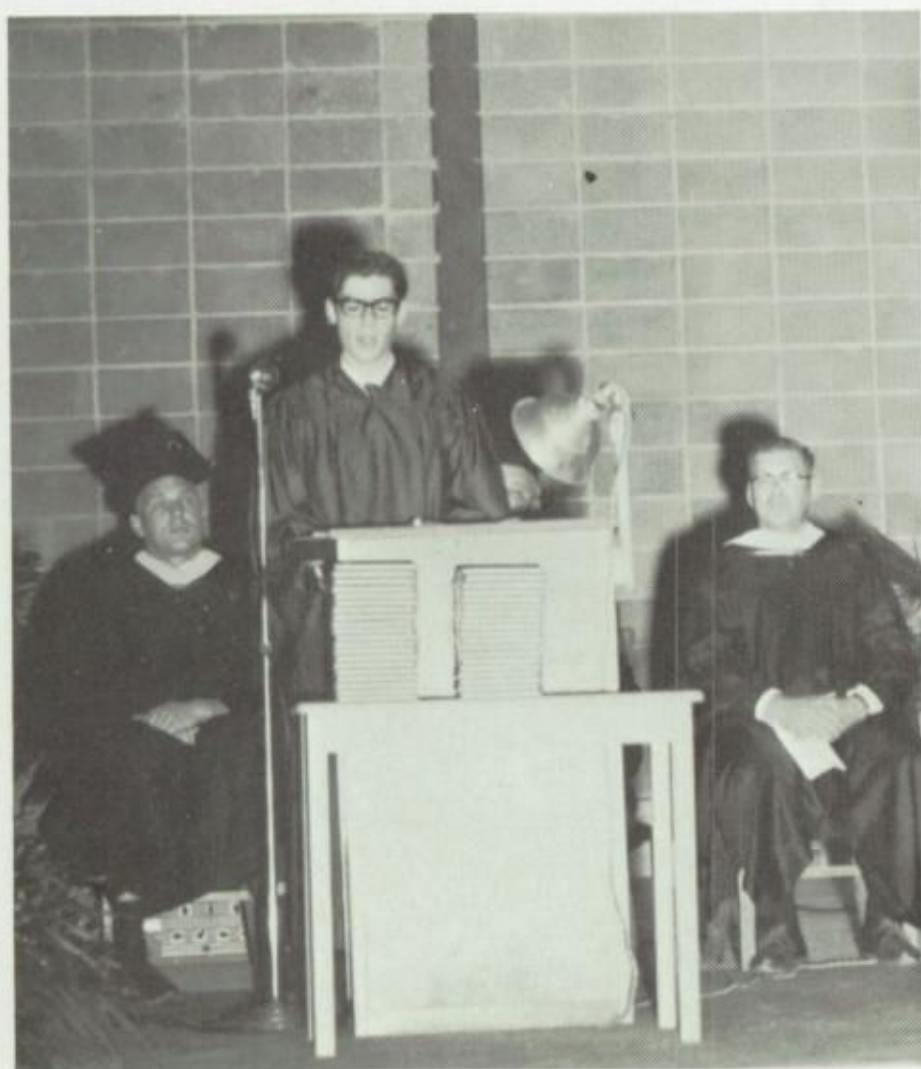
National Honor Society Members: Steve Mitts, Gary Engel, Bob Henning, and Dick Henning.





BACK ROW: Terry Miller, Bill Fisher, Bob Henning, Gary Rapp, Jeff Hopwood, Jerry Finch, Gary Engel, Dick Henning, Mark Baugher, Charles Stroich. THIRD ROW: Larry Hopkins, Diane Irwin, Lana Ethel, Rita Jensen, Linda Kern, Cindy Daniels, Joann Shaheen, Karla Engel, Debbie Neibert, Kenneth Engel, Don Schmidt. SECOND ROW: Dorothy Geary, Vicki Howard, Nancy Sanderfield, Harold Beard, John Hamilton, Gary Connor, Dennis Kemmerling, Gary Brown, Jim Russell. FRONT ROW: Judy Trainor, Sherry Hopkins, Sharon Showalter, Steve Mitts, Larry Carter, Chuck Sandoval, David Caldwell, Linda Soenksen.

## Class of '68



Valedictorian: Donald Schmidt



Salutatorian: Kenneth Engel



# Building Program



Grade school nearing completion

As this year's edition of the Athenian goes to press, much of the proposed new construction is well under way, as these pictures show. The new Athens Grade School and the new high school gymnasium are nearing the final stages. Remodeling of the existing high school is also progressing satisfactorily. Barring any unforeseen delays, the students and parents of Athens Unit District #213 will have reason to feel proud when school opens this fall.



Girders being placed during the winter months.



Laying the foundations for the gym.



Looking north into what will be office area when completed.



New entrance to grade school



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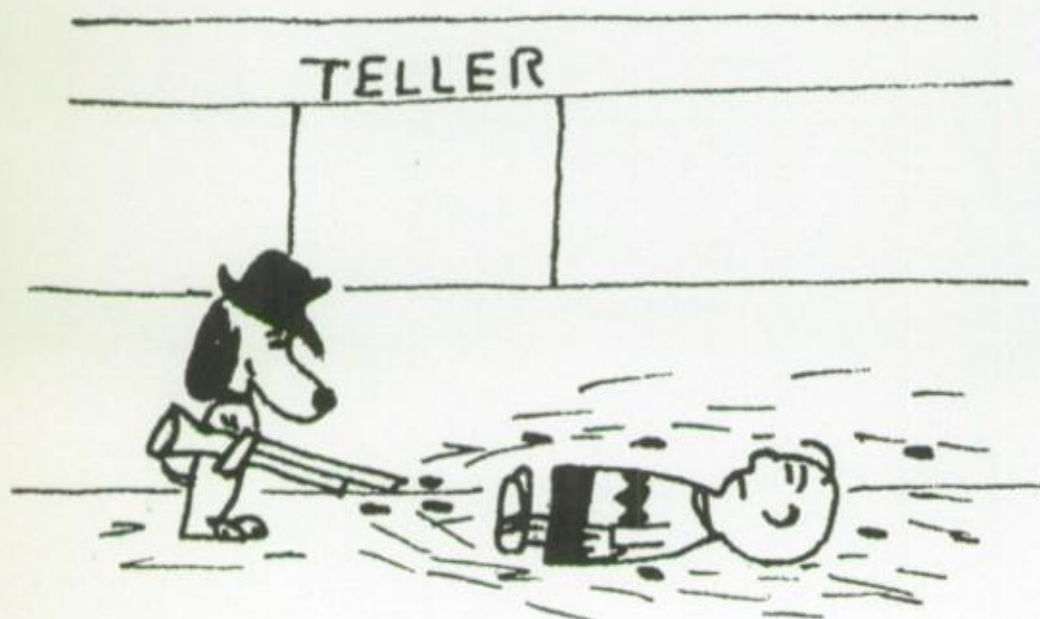


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